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Poona, 8th November 1880.

SIR,

I have the honour to submit the Annual Report on the Administration of each Municipality in the several Districts of this Division for the year 1879-80

- 2. This report is somewhat late this year, but a skeleton form of report, drawn up by the Commissioner, S. D., in August last, having been adopted for the sake of uniformity throughout the three Divisions, the submission of the reports of the different municipalities, several of which had to be recast, was unavoidably delayed.
- 3. The total number of municipalities in the Northern Division is 34; of which three (3) are city and the rest town municipalities. No new municipalities were established, or any abolished, during the year under report. The first institution of this kind was established under Act XXVI. of 1850 in the Surat District, and the last in the town of Kurla in the Thana District, during the year 1879.
- 4. In the city municipalities, the chief Revenue, Police, Public Works, Medical and Educational Officers are appointed ex-officio members of the Corporation, and in town municipalities the Assistant Collector in charge of the taluka is the Vice-President, the Mamlatdar and Chief Constable the ex-officio members. The number of such officers is 151. The remaining members are nominated from the influential inhabitants of the city or town, in the proportion prescribed by the District Municipal Act, 1873. There are 411 non-official members. The proportion of Europeans is 84 to 478 Natives. In the town municipality of Thana the number of Commissioners was slightly in excess of the legal number, but two vacancies having occurred the opportunity was taken to correct this irregularity.
- 5. No difficulty has been experienced in obtaining qualified members to serve as Municipal Commissioners in the more advanced towns. The appointment is generally coveted and considered an honourable distinction. In some in stances attendance has not been sufficiently regular, but the provisions of Section 7, clause 3 of the District Municipal Act, rendering non-attendance a disqualification for office, will hereafter be strictly enforced. As a rule, however, the members take a keen interest in municipal affairs.

- The income is chiefly derived from octroi duties under the eight classes fixed by the Government of India, and, on a comparison Income, Form I. with the receipts of the previous year, there is a con-These satisfactory results are chiefly due to siderable increase under each head. a general revival of trade owing to the favourable season and abundant harvest of There is, however, a considerable falling off in the rethe year under report. ceipts from wheel-tax and tolls, and this is due to alterations in the schedules and to the discontinuance of the levy of tolls in certain municipalities, to which the conditions of the Government of India's order, Government of India No. directing that tolls should only be levied for the use of 3004, dated 22nd October 1877. any quay, wharf, bridge, &c., did not apply.
- 7. The opening balances of the Division for the year under report amounted to Rs. 1,18,854 against Rs. 1,69,564 of the previous year. To this should be added the total income from all sources, which amounted to Rs. 8,11,114. Of this latter sum Rs. 4,09,972 or more than half is derived from octroi duties, which is levied in all municipalities except those of Godhra and Dohad in the Panch Maháls, and Bándra and Kurla in Thána. The next important source of income is the house-tax, which is levied only in the four municipal towns in

Gujarát as per margin, and in all municipalities in Thána and Kolába, and realized nearly Rs. 59,000.

Godhra. Dohad. Tolls, wheel-tax and halalkhor cess also contribute largely to municipal funds. This latter cess alone realized, in the two municipalities of Surat and Ahmedabad, the considerable sum of Rs. 77,507.

- 8. The incidence of taxation per head of population ranges from 2 annas in Kurla to Rs. 1-15-10 in the city municipality of Ahmedabad, which is not excessive. But in the municipalities of Viramgám in Ahmedabad, Anklesvar in Broach, Ránder and Bulsár in Surat, and Roha Ashtmi in Kolába, the incidence is, comparatively speaking, rather high. In Viramgám and Anklesvar, also in Nadiád in Kaira, the incidence of octroi taxation alone is Rs. 1-5-11, 12 annas, and 11 as. 9 p., respectively, while excepting the three city municipalities of Ahmedabad, Broach and Surat, the incidence in the remaining municipalities is less than 8 annas, with the solitary exception of Ránder, where it is 9 annas. For the whole Division the average incidence of taxation per head of population is Rs. 1-3-3.
- 9. The Abstract of Form No. II. gives the different heads under which exExpenditure, Form No. II. penditure has been incurred during the year under report. The total amount for the Division is Rs. 7,02,326.

  The largest expenditure, or 18 per cent. of the annual income, is on account of
  conservancy and cleansing, which is a satisfactory feature. The expenditure on
  account of public works, such as roads, water-supply, buildings, drainage and
  other public improvements, amounted to 16 per cent. of the annual income, which
  is also satisfactory. The large sum of Rs. 38,485, on account of Police, is principally on account of the cost of the Punitive Police Post, consisting of 100 Foot
  and 10 Mounted men, established in the city of Surat under Government Resolution No. 2624, dated 27th April 1878.
- 9A. As the ordinary municipal establishments suffice to undertake the duty of the registration of vital statistics in several of the towns, the expenditure on that account is inconsiderable, and steps are being taken to make the practice of municipal registration general, as it is found that greater accuracy in the returns is obtained under this arrangement. Rs. 66,689 and Rs. 49,795 were spent on lighting and watering the public streets, which is little more than one-eighth the total municipal income. As regards the expenditure for lighting, it is, perhaps, capable of reduction, but, as regards the charges for watering, considering that there are so few metalled roads, the generality being constructed of burnt bricks, broken tiles and sand, which render constant moisture necessary to maintain them in order, the amount is not excessive. It is gratifying to observe that Rs. 37,366 or 22 per cent. were spent on dispensaries and vaccination, and Rs. 22,788 or 35 per cent. on education.
- 10. Taking each municipality individually, the expenditure on account of come establishments is highest in Jambusar, being 23 per cent. of the annual income. In Gogha it is 18 per cent. Kurla 15 per cent. Mahim 13 per cent. and

in the remaining municipalities it does not exceed 11 per cent. It is lowest in Thana and Kalyan, where it is only 2 per cent.

- 11. The percentage on account of collection establishment is extremely high in Modása, where it is 23 per cent. In Parántíj it is 17 per cent., and in Bassein and Máhím 14 and 13 per cent. respectively, whereas it does not exceed 10 per cent. in the remaining municipalities.
- 12. In Modása, 35 per cent. of the municipal income is spent on lighting, 21 per cent. in Anklesvar, 19 per cent. in Dholka, Dhandhuka and Dohad, 15 per cent. in Kalyán, and 14 per cent. in Gogha, which is excessive. In other towns the expenditure on this account ranges from 2 to 12 per cent. or an average of 7 per cent.
- 13. The charge on account of watering is exceptionally high in Anklesvar, being 19 per cent. of the annual income. In Bulsár it is 11 per cent., and in the remaining towns it does not exceed 8 per cent., while in several towns the streets are not watered at all.
- 14. It is unmistakeably evident that there is much room for improvement in the directions above recorded and the subject is already engaging attention.
- 15. The balance at the close of the year 1879-80 was Rs. 2,27,642, which compares favourably with that of the previous year. It may be noted, however, that a large balance, amounting to over a lakh of rupees is being allowed to accumulate in Ahmedabad for the purpose of providing a pure water supply, which is very much needed.
  - 16. I now proceed to review the different municipalities in detail.

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2. 3.	Nadiád. Mehmadabad. Kaira. Ahmedabad. Kapadvanj	8. 9.	Dákor. Godhra. Dohad. Anklesvar. Broach.	13.	Kelva Máhím. Bassein.	17. During the course of my tour, I personally visited and inspected the municipalities as per margin.

#### AHMEDABAD DISTRICT.

- Ahmedabad.—This municipality is the largest institution of its kind in this Division, but is not popular, and the reason is not far to seek. There are two principal causes: 1st, the determined action of the municipality in closing deep well privies, and 2nd, the city survey. It is needless to enter into the question whether these privies should, or should not, have been closed: suffice it to say that the action of the Municipality has a small survey. of the Municipality has caused much inconvenience to the people, especially amongst those classes whose women are not allowed to appear in public. The houses in certain quarters being very closely packed together, surface privies, which are the only alternatives, have now been constructed on "Otlas" or raised platforms, which formerly served for social gatherings, or for lounging and recreation during The connection of the municipality with the city surevenings and mornings. vey, which is a distinct department, is very intimate, as, no sooner are the exact boundaries of a road or a public thoroughfare defined, than the municipality have very zealously guarded their rights, and the slightest projection of even one stone for a door step is at once contested. Thus these two causes operate to make the municipality very unpopular with the people. In other respects the municipality is, and has been, doing a great deal of good which the people are not slow to acknowledge. No one, who knew what Ahmedabad was like, not many years ago, could be but struck with the wonderful improvements of late years. lence of its roads and its lighting, and the general cleanliness maintained, have contributed in no slight degree to the comfort and convenience of the inhabitants. The water-supply is certainly not sufficient, or as pure as it might be, but every effort has been made to render it, at least, as pure as possible. The water is pumped up from the river during the night, and passes from a settling into a filtering and finally into collecting reservoirs, before it is conveyed through pipes to There is no doubt that the distributing hydrants in different parts of the city. it is not sufficient in quantity, and a water-supply scheme is being matured.
- 19. The municipality have to maintain 30 miles of road, and the street lamps number 1,385.

- 20. The expenditure incurred on watering and lighting is Rs. 19,774 and Rs. 12,885, respectively, and is between Rs. 4,000 to Rs. 5,000 less under each head than in the previous year. This reduction is a step in the right direction.
- 21. I have already mentioned the cleanliness of the town generally, but I wish more particularly to speak with regard to the "poles" or courts, several of which I visited and found to be shockingly filthy, while others had the appearance of having been recently cleaned. These "poles" are not cleaned every day and this no doubt accounts for some being found in a very filthy state; but the fact that so much filth accumulates in one day proves, I think, that cleaning on alternate days does not suit. Many of these courts had the appearance of being freely squatted over, and when it is found that 2,328 deep well privies were closed during the year, it is easy to account for this free squatting, especially in quarters inhabited by "Purdaposh" women. There are still 795 deep well privies, and it was expected that by the close of the year all these would be closed.
- 22. The people complained of the trap door privies being cleaned between 7 and 10 o'clock in the morning. The cleansing should be over by 5 a. m.
- 23. The reforms proposed by my predecessor Mr. Erskine, in the working of the Health Department, have, since the close of the year under report, been carried out.
- 24. The late Health Officer urged that there are no municipal carts for conveyance of night-soil or urine and water from privies to the depôts outside the town, or for removal of rubbish or sweepings; that there are no pans in public latrines for the night-soil; that more public latrines, with these improvements are needed, and that manure depôts are not in suitable localities. There is no doubt that these wants should be supplied at once, but it is merely a question of funds, and as the halalkhor receipts are not entirely spent in connection with privies, but a portion is devoted to road cleaning, I have directed immediate attention to be paid to this matter.
- 25. The quantity of night-soil conveyed outside the city to the depôts is estimated at 8,476 tons, which gives 23 tons per diem, or  $7\frac{1}{2}$  ounces per head of population. In European countries  $2\frac{1}{3}$  or 3 ounces per head is calculated; in Bombay  $11\frac{1}{2}$  ounces, so that Ahmedabad shows that all the filth is removed outside the city.
- 26. The town sweepings are removed to the depôts by two contractors, who have the city divided between them. The quantity of rubbish removed is computed at 21,454 tons. Some portion of this is reduced to ashes for the process of desiccation of night-soil, and the rest is utilised in making approaches to the depôts and filling up hollows and inequalities outside the city. Rs. 1,542-13-2 were realized by the sale of night-soil and bones during the year 1878-79.
- 27. From personal enquiry I am convinced of the practicability of laying down tramways in this city which would immensely facilitate the removal of the night-soil. I would have pressed this subject on the municipality, but the water-supply scheme, which is of paramount importance, is now engaging attention and will, for the present, require all the funds at their disposal.
- 28. The rate of mortality has risen from 48.94 per mille to 70.58, and is chiefly due to the prevalence of fever caused by excessive moisture from the heavy rains. The registration of births and deaths is under the management of the municipality, as it should be in all municipal towns. Government have commended the accuracy with which the Ahmedabad returns are kept, and the example set to other municipalities will, it is hoped, be followed.
- 29. Dholka.—The Vice-President's report shows that the municipal administration of this old and once important town has been hitherto neglected. It has just been rescued from a most scandalous state of inefficiency and mismanagement. The energetic action of the Vice-President, Mr. Crawford, will doubtless the cool results in sect year's report. In the meantime it may be noted that the cool as the cool of the year under report.

- 30. Dhandhuka.—The report calls for little comment. The water-supply appears to be abundant and the sanitary state of the town is good. Latrines are provided for women, but there are none apparently for men. In an open country like Dhandhuka free squatting in the fields is, perhaps, better than confined areas set apart for purposes of nature, but the evil of the practice is that the people do not go far enough and are only too ready to avail themselves of any cover near the town walls.
- 31. Gogha.—This little sea-port town will soon sink into comparative insignificance if not into obscurity, on the opening of the Káthiáwár State Railway, which will raise the port of Bhávnagar into importance. The question of maintaining a municipality under these circumstances will have to be considered. As pointed out by the Vice-President, its principal source of income is from a duty of 1 per cent. ad valorem on certain imports, and, as trade is diverted from its port, the income will be considerably reduced. It is difficult to substitute any other kind of taxation, and under the peculiar circumstances of Gogha, a house-tax cannot be resorted to. But as the Vice-President writes the town is easy to keep clean, and as a little money and a little care can effect much, it is hoped that the municipality will be kept up. The closing of the latrines for men is a step in the right direction, as no better place than the sea-shore to the north of the town could be found.
- 32. Virangám.—The report calls for no remark. The municipality is represented to be working very satisfactorily.
- 33. Parántíj.—The municipality appears to be very badly managed, its conservancy is entirely neglected, and no steps have been taken to provide la rines. The town, as described by the Vice-President, affords unfortunately too much cover for the people to seek the open fields for purposes of nature. The Vice-President does not, however, recommend energetic conservancy for this town, for fear that it would poison the lake, but there can be no danger from a complete system of latrines and night-soil depôts, and as funds are available, conservancy must be taken in hand and improved.
- 34. Modása.—The municipality is described as being very badly managed, and, a burden to the people. It is in a distant out-of-the-way corner of the district, surrounded by foreign territory, and cannot be frequently visited.
- 35. The octroi duty levied on the traffic which passes through the town is really more of the nature of a transit duty. The present income is only a little over Rs. 2,000, and too small for any real improvements. I have lately sanctioned the introduction of a house-tax with a view to improve the funds. If it fails in setting matters right, it would be better to abolish the municipality altogether.

#### KAIRA DISTRICT.

- 36. Kaira.—Last year my predecessor brought to notice the insanitary state of the environs of the town, the nalas and open spaces round it being evidently places of common resort for purposes of nature. I am glad to say that there is a great improvement in this respect. A latrine has already been constructed and will be followed by others.
- 37. Much good has resulted from a grained Sanitary Inspector having been obtained as Secretary.
- 38. The encroachment of the river on the north of the town should be a matter of anxiety to the municipality, but it is not referred to by the President in his report.
- 39. Nadiád.—On the whole, the affairs of this municipality appear to be fairly managed, but there is considerable room for improvement. There are only four latrines in the town which belong to private parties. Public latrines and urinals inside the town are crying wants. There are hedge-bound enclosures outside the town gates, which serve as latrines, but the trench system has not been introduced. There is no privacy, and free squatting makes proper scavenging impossible.

- 40. There appears to be a practice in this town of accumulating manure in heaps just outside the doors of houses, and carting them out during the monsoons to the fields. This should not be permitted. Open spaces outside the town should be assigned for manure heaps.
- 41. The filthiest part of the town is the "Chámbárs' quarters. The tannery there should be removed to a distance from the town.
- 42. There is a large and commodious dispensary in this town. Government contribute Rs. 1,040 towards its maintenance, and the annual cost amounts to Rs. 2,875. The average daily attendance amounted to 135. Some complaints appear to have been made against the Hospital Assistant which, on enquiry by the Dispensary Committee, were not substantiated. The Hospital Assistant has already been 12 years here, and it is time he should be removed to some other charge.
- 43. Mehmadabad.—The dispensary is in a small building, which was erected in memory of a Pársi lady of Bombay. It has no accommodation for the Hospital Staff and a detached building in frontaffords accommodation for four male in-patients. Government contribute Rs. 580, and the Local Funds Rs. 1,000, the expenditure in excess being borne by the municipality. The total expenditure during the past year amounted to Rs. 1,743. The Dispensary Committee are regular in their visits. The attendance is on the increase, the daily average being 114 against 96 the previous year.
- 44. Very much cannot be expected from this municipality, but by judicious management much may be done little by little. What this town was before I cannot of course say, never having visited it, but certainly there is room for great improvement. The conservancy of the town within the walls, I may say, is fairly attended to, but there was unmistakeable evidence of recent exertion to improve its conservancy, prompted probably in anticipation of my visit. Outside the town walls, however, there is a good deal of promiscuous squatting and the sites for the latrine enclosures have been badly selected, especially the one near the Nadiád gate, which is almost under the town walls. The state in which they are maintained is simply disgraceful. It is admitted that they are not cleaned daily, but all efforts to keep them clean must be futile so long as they continue to be also the depository for manure heaps and town sweepings. It is wonderful to find latrines and manure yards combined. The spot too being covered over with young Bábul trees, the sun does not act as a deodorizer, and the result is that the stench is overpowering.
- 45. An attempt was made to introduce the trench system, but was soon abandoned, as the people refused to make use of the latrines. On enquiry it appeared that the principle of the trench system was not properly understood, and having been fully explained, another trial will be made.
- 46. Kapadianj.—The conservancy arrangements here are rather curious. The "Molahs" (courts) are supposed to be kept clean by arrangement with the inhabitants of each of these quarters, the municipality undertaking to look only after the public thoroughfares and bye-lanes. These are, no doubt, fairly clean, but the arrangement above adverted to 18 not a good one, especially as it is practically under no supervision.
- 47. There are only two latrine enclosures outside the town, which, I was given to understand, are cleaned once a month! The people squat all round the town and particularly make use of the river bank below the Travellers' Bungalow.
- 48. A good deal is spent at present on lighting, and this expenditure must be reduced so as to provide more latrines and better conservancy arrangements. There are no latrines inside the town, and with a walled town, the gates of which are closed at nights, it may well be imagined that the conservancy arrangements must be very good to be successful. The expenditure is not judiciously incurred: for instance, a pit dug for town sweepings cost Rs. 111.
- 49. Dákor.—The municipality here appears to have been established principally on account of the large crowds of pilgrims who repair to the shrine of Bandhodi Mahari at every new and full moon. The enormous influx of people,

averaging 4,000 @ 5,000 every fortnight, and at least 100,000 once in the year, would render conservancy at any time a difficult matter, but it is satisfactory to notice that the town was fairly clean, the roads in good order, and every thing showed that the municipality was carefully managed. The sanitary arrangements were better than might have been expected. Sites have been allotted for purposes of nature outside the town in convenient places and urinals, and dust-bins have been freely distributed about the town, while scavenging is well attended to.

#### PANCH MAHA'LS.

- 50. Godhra.—The income of this municipality, which was established only in 1876, is mainly derived from a house-tax. No octroi duties are levied.
- 51. There is really no conservancy, as the sweepers employed by the municipality merely sweep up the streets and thoroughfares, and there are no latrines, the banks of the river being principally resorted to. But with its small funds much cannot be expected. The rates of house-tax have been recently raised.
- 52. A road skirting the town is in course of construction which, when completed, will be a great benefit, as it will divert the traffic between Dohad and the Páli Railway Station, which now passes through the town and causes great obstruction.
- 53. The lighting is perhaps insufficient, but must remain so until the sanitary wants of the town have been supplied.
- 54. Dohad.—This municipality is similar to Godhra in its constitution, and the same remarks apply.
- 55. There are no latrines provided inside or outside the town, but it is proposed to make enclosures with high hedges, as at Nadiád, for purposes of nature, and have trenches dug, the excreta being removed to appointed depôts. The drainage seems to be very bad, the gutters or side-drains appear to concentrate in the centre of the town, which must be overflooded during the monsoon. The matter has attracted the attention of the municipality, and it is proposed to construct a main drain to carry away the water and drain the town.
- 56. There is a large tank near the town which, with a small annual outlay, would secure an abundant pure water-supply.

### BROACH DISTRICT.

- 57. Broach.—This is a most picturesque but most filthy town. The defects in its sanitary arrangements are, however, due principally to its natural position, perched as it is on a hillock with precipitous slopes covered with prickly-pear, &c. The houses are huddled together without any attempt at order or regularity, and their disposition renders anything like a perfect system of conservancy well nigh impossible.
- 58. Much, however, has been done in the way of improvement, but the funds are only sufficient to allow of little by little being done at a time. I visited the localities in which certain improvements are to be made, for which a loan of Rs. 1,70,000 has been applied for by the Corporation. In this sum is included a sum of Rs. 1,20,000 for widening, metalling and paving certain roads and constructing latrines. The loan is very much wanted, as, in all these respects, the town is much behind the times.
- 59. Anklesvar.—The levy of tolls was abolished from the 7th September 1879, and other taxes, estimated to yield about Rs. 9,900, were substituted. The average annual yield from tolls was Rs. 8,800, and Rs. 4,044 only having been realized during the year 1878-79, owing to the falling off in the traffic consequent on the bad season, the large municipal balance of Rs. 6,233 on the 1st April 1878 was reduced to Rs. 2,552. This is a matter for regret, as this fund was being accumulated for providing a suitable building for the dispensary which at present is in a hired house, the situation of which is extremely bad and the accommodation it affords is also limited and unsuitable.

- 60. The large expenditure on account of watering and lighting is not at all justifiable and should be reduced to at least one-fourth.
- 61. The novel arrangement for watering streets here exists of collecting water in large iron tanks raised on wooden posts in different parts of the town, which are supposed to be always kept full by a contractor, who is much too highly paid. The municipal income amounts to nearly Rs. 10,000, of which the was spent on lighting, which is not at all satisfactory.
- 62. The town may be said to be fairly clean. There are no latrines' either inside or outside the town, but there are several private privies which are kept clean by the owners. This arrangement is not desirable and it would be well if the municipality would undertake the duty of keeping these privies clean, a light halálkhor cess being levied to meet the expense. Latrine enclosures should also be provided in convenient localities, as there is a good deal of promiscuous squatting round the out-skirts of the town. At present two nálas or water-courses, skirting the town, supply the convenience of the population.
- 63. Jambusar.—From the description given in Chapter VII. of the Vice-President's report it appears that the sanitary condition of the town is altogether neglected. In a large and over-crowded town like Jambusar, this is much to be regretted. There are no latrines or enclosures provided, either inside or outside the town, and, while the present condition of things lasts, no expenditure whatever should be incurred on lighting and watering the streets. If funds are still found insufficient a house-tax might be introduced with advantage. The subject has apparently attracted attention, and it is to be hoped energetic steps will be taken by the President and Vice-President to improve matters.

#### SURAT DISTRICT.

64. Surat.—The gradual decline of the prosperity of this once wealthy and populous city has left an air of decay and mouldiness about it and its environs, which render the improvements, which have of late years been effected, less striking than they really are. It can boast of some handsome public buildings, a clock tower and a people's park, and it has 17 miles of made roads including 7 miles of metalled roads within its limits. There is one blot, however, which cannot be overlooked.

The large number of private privies, in a more or less disgraceful state of repair in all parts of the city, could not but attract attention. The majority of these are conspicuously located and, being generally in the last stage of dilapidation, there is hardly any privacy for the squatter inside. They are not, as in Ahmedabad and other municipal towns, built on the "Otlas," nor do they adjoin houses, but are distinct constructions placed within a few yards of the building and very much resemble sentry boxes. If they were maintained in perfect order and were thoroughly cleansed, they would, no doubt, be preferable to the otlaprivies of other cities, but no care is taken to keep them in repair, and they stand an outrage on decency.

- 65. It was surprising that there should be so many private privies belonging to people who do not object to use public latrines, which are within easy distance from their houses, but the manner of levying the halálkhor cess is clearly in fault. The maximum rate leviable under the Rules is Rs. 3 per annum, instead of which one uniform rate of Re. 1-8-0 only is levied from rich and poor alike, and there is no inducement to forego the luxury of a private privy at their doors. If private privies were highly taxed, and there is no reason why they should not be, there would soon be an end of this crying nuisance.
- 66. Government are aware that a change has been recently made in the municipal management at Ahmedabad which it seems desirable should be introduced here. At Ahmedabad the entire charge of the Health Department, which includes conservancy and scavenging and the collection of the halálkhor cess, was under the Health Officer. His connection with the receipt and disbursement of large sums of monies was considered objectionable, and the duty has recently transferred to the Secretary. The same system should be followed in Surat,

where the Health Officer, who is called Sanitary Inspector, has charge only of the conservancy (bhangi) department, the scavenging or road cleaning department being under the Secretary. From his position and the necessity for his going the rounds of the city more frequently than the Secretary, the Sanitary Inspector has geater opportunities of not only discovering nuisances but of supervising the establishment. The Secretary has to attend to his office work, supervise the collection department, the lighting and watering of the streets, attend the meetings of the Managing Committee, &c., and besides, he is also the Engineer of the Corporation. He can thus hardly have time to look after the road cleaning and scavenging department also, and there is no reason why the services of a trained European (the present Sanitary Inspector), which can be utilized, should not be availed of.

- 67. The Sanitary Inspector is also hampered with a Sanitary Sub-Committee, who issue all notices for the repair and alteration of privies. This power should rest with the Sanitary Inspector, subject to the general control and direction of the Sanitary Sub-Committee, if one is required. There is no such Committee at Ahmedabad.
- 68. The sanitary state of the city is, no doubt, fairly attended to, but I noticed in a few instances standing nuisances which should not have been allowed, as, for instance, the refuse-water from the Gulam Baba Mill is allowed to run just below the city walls and to form a stagnant pool. It appears that the Mill owner has obtained permission to allow the water to run out, but, as no provision has been made for drainage, the permission involves an abominable nuisance.
- 69. The night-soil depôt is not so well managed as at Ahmedabad, but there is apparently a ready sale of night-soil which is deodorized with burnt ashes.
- 70. The want of good water-supply is very much felt, and the project which has been matured is estimated to cost about 4 lákhs, but there is a large balance on account of the loan for the Tapti Bridge still to be paid off, and for some years the question of an improved water-supply as well as of a similar important work, viz., drainage, must lie over.
- 71. Ránder.—In this municipality the Executive Commissioner appointed for the quarter receives a fee of Rs. 25. This is unusual.
- 72. This town which lies on the opposite bank of the Tapti has been connected with Surat by the Hope Bridge.
- 73. The road from the town to the bridge, which is about 1½ miles in length, is watered at the expense of the municipality, but as it is beyond municipal limits sanction under Section 23 of the Act should have been obtained. This does not appear to have been done and the President's attention has been drawn to the matter.
- 74. The conservancy of the town is fairly well attended to, but more latrines are required. There are at present three latrines with 60 seats, but these are not sufficient.
- 75. It seems strange that, while there is a demand for night-soil manure in Surat, there is no consumption of it at Rander, where it is buried in pits in appointed localities.
- 76. The dispensary building at this town is centrally situated, and when I visited it, I found the Hospital Assistant absent at a village some miles distant on a visit to a patient. It was afterwards represented to me that he was frequently absent, and the matter having been brought to the notice of the medical authorities, the Hospital Assistant was transferred to another charge.
- 77. The state of the roads inside the town is not creditable. In fact there are no roads, and no attention has been given to this important matter. The

high road from Surat to Olpad, which skirts the town, is the only piece of made road about it.

- 78. Bulsár.—This is a thriving little municipality. The conservancy of the town is carefully attended to. There are six latrines, having sixteen seats each; 125 private open privies and 40 deep well privies. A halálkhor cess has lately been introduced as also a house-tax, and there seems a laudable desire to do away with all octroi duties.
- 79. The dispensary, which is under the charge of an Assistant Surgeon, is well situated, and all its arrangements excellent. The institution is popular and much good is being done.
- 79A. Mándvi.—The report calls for no remark, except that the municipal administration of this small and secluded town is well conducted. Ten per cent. of its annual income is spent on office establishments and 13 per cent. on collection establishment which, comparatively speaking, is high.

#### THA'NA DISTRICT.

Thána. Bándra. Kurla. Bassein. Máhím. Bhiwndi. Uran.

- 80. As the remarks of the President with regard to the municipalities noted in the margin refer to the report in the old form, extracts will be embodied in my review of each municipality.
- 81. Thána.—This town has always had an unenviable reputation for its unhealthiness and insanitary condition, but the municipality has, of late years, creditably exerted itself to remove this reproach.
- 82. The reclamation, referred to by the Vice-President at the close of para.1, Chapter IX. of his report, is a work which will tend greatly to improve the general health of the town, as the site in question was a pestilent swamp and is now skirted by a bund which serves not only to keep the tides out but forms a good road, and the swamp itself is fast being reclaimed.
- 83. The town has long suffered from the want of a pure water-supply, but a project for bringing in water from the Pokran springs in the neighbouring hills has been sanctioned at an estimated cost of Rs. 74,442, and the work will be undertaken this season. Owing to its proximity and connection by rail, Thana is rapidly becoming a suburb of Bombay, and any improvements in the direction above indicated will doubtless prove attractive.

### 84. The President observes-

"The principal sources of the municipality's assets are toll, octroi duties, house-tax and halálkhor cess. The octroi duties are levied on eight different articles, of which one is tobacco, which yielded Rs. 1,894-10-11; three are articles of food or drink for men or animals, the duty on which amounted to Rs. 1,440-11-10; two are building materials from which an income of Rs. 302-7-6 is derived. The other two articles are firewood and gunpowder, which brought in a total of Rs. 364-0-1.

"The largest of the items of expenditure is that of conservancy, amounting to Rs. 5,979 on account of pay of scavengers, bhangis, and employment of carts and bullocks for carting of the town-sweepings. The charges for bhangis, &c., seem to nearly equal or perhaps exceed the collection from halálkhor cess.

"The municipality has constructed a bund along the edge of the creek behind the Mamlatdar's kacheri which, while reclaiming some 30 or 40 acres from salt water, shuts out the ordure of the large public latrines and prevents it being washed up and deposited on the marshy ground by the tidal water. The sum of Rs. 1,446-7-5 appears to be the expenditure incurred during the year under report. The actual entire expenditure laid out to complete the reclamation was Rs. 3,245-11-8, of which Rs. 2,500 was contributed by the Local Funds. No other work worthy of mention was executed.

The tewn sadly wants a supply of good drinking water—a project which has been the course of the last 34 years and was as frequently as the course of the last 34 years and was as frequently as a serie of aware of the last 34 years and was as frequently as a serie of aware of the last 34 years and was as frequently as a serie of aware of the last 34 years and was as frequently as a serie of aware of the last 34 years and was as frequently as a serie of the last 34 years and was as frequently as a serie of the last 34 years and was as frequently as a serie of the last 34 years and was as frequently as a serie of the last 34 years and was as frequently as a serie of the last 34 years and was as frequently as a serie of the last 34 years and was as frequently as a serie of the last 34 years and was as frequently as a serie of the last 34 years and was as frequently as a serie of the last 34 years and was as frequently as a serie of the last 34 years and was as frequently as a serie of the last 34 years and was as frequently as a serie of the last 34 years and was as frequently as a serie of the last 34 years and was as frequently as a serie of the last 34 years and was as frequently as a serie of the last 34 years and was a serie of the last 34 years and

The subject has now at last been satisfactorily concluded by the Government Resolution No. c. w.-35—250 of the 25th June 1880, sanctioning a small scheme at the cost of Rs. 74,442 for supply of water from the Pokran spring, and the work will be put in hand immediately the season opens, the piping from England having been already ordered.

- "Much has lately been done towards improving the sanitary condition so strongly animadverted on by the late Commissioner, Mr. Erskine, and as forcibly impressed on the attention of the Corporation by Government. There is, however, still room for improvement and attention is still given to the subject.
- "A want of harmony on the part of the Commissioners in conducting the municipal affairs and difficulty experienced in forming quorums necessitated the passing of amended rules for the municipality which provide for the appointment of an Executive Commissioner in the place of the present Managing Committee."
- 85. Bándra.—This is the fourth year of the existence of this municipality. The town owes its importance to its vicinity to Bombay and is much visited by Europeans and Pársis. No town duties whatever are levied, the income being mainly derived from house and boat-taxes. Being admirably situated in respect to the sea breeze, it is a very healthy town, and its sanitary condition is, on the whole, satisfactory.
- 86. There is a want of pure water which it is proposed to obtain by an extension of the present Vehár water-supply as soon as funds are available.

### 87. The President observes that-

- "He is glad to find that Mr. Bullock, the Chairman, consented to continue in office during the year. In him the municipality would lose an energetic, intelligent, and able Chairman, and much of the success with which the municipal affairs are conducted the President has no hesitation in saying is due to him."
- 88. Kurla.—The establishment of this municipality was sanctioned in the latter end of 1877, but it was not actually brought into operation until the latter end of 1879, and the report therefore merely comprises a few months of the year to which it relates. It has only a floating population of about 7,000 souls, nearly half of which are the employes of the mills to which Kurla really owes its importance, if not existence. The municipality has been established, as it has always been a source of danger to Bombay having on several occasions been visited by cholera.

### 89. The President remarks-

"The noticeable feature in the rules of the government of this institution is that unlike the other municipalities in the district the Kurla Municipality has an Executive Commissioner and not a Managing Committee. Mr. Erskine, the late Commissioner, N. D., srongly advocated the system of having an Executive Commissioner in preference to a Managing Committee recommended by the late Acting Collectors, Messrs. Jervoise and Nairne, and he wrote highly of its efficient working in Gujarát.

"When the President took charge of the district he found the question was not finally settled, and having had ample experience of the impossibility of working a Managing Committee who rarely met owing to press of their private work, and when they did, rarely concurred in what was to be done on the pettiest point, he had an Executive Commissioner appointed in the new Kurla Municipality established during the year, and Mr. Ebden speaks well of its working.

"The chief items of taxation are the house-tax, and the tax on working spindles in the Kurla mills. The total receipts for the latter half of the year under report, when the municipality was brought into working order, amounted to Rs. 1,143-11-8, of which Rs. 941-11-8 were derived from the two items just mentioned."

90. Bassein.—This municipality has been in existence for over 16 years. It includes within its limits many gardens and fields lying between the villages of Bassein and Papeli, which are about a mile and a half distant from each other, but are connected by a succession of houses or "wadis." There is really no conselwancy in this town, for, beyond sweeping the streets and thoroughfares, nothing else is done, and even the side drains, which in some places are one or two test deep, are only cleared of the rubbish once a year. That part of the town which is occupied by the Kolis or fishermen is extremely filthy. There are

no latrines, and the people resort to the swamps or the creek, and, as the tides generally reach these places, there is little nursance created.

91 There is a large importation of molasses at certain seasons. These are kept in bond and exported some time after, but as refunds are only granted if exportation takes place within a month, the tax on this commodity is really a transit duty. The matter is under consideration.

#### 92. The President writes—

"The system of departmental collection of octroi duties and tolls appears from the Vice-President's report to be financially disadvantageous. The establishment employed for the collection of these dues cost Rs. 972-14-6, in return for which the municipality received an increase of only Rs 293-15-3 in octroi duties, while in tolls there was a loss of Rs 43-11-3 compared with the preceding year.

"There is a large outstanding balance (Rs 2,492-8-3) which should be recovered at an early date. The reason of this large amount being outstanding has been partly explained by the fact that it has been customary to collect house-tax after the close of the year for which it is due. The balance on this account is stated to be Rs. 1,533."

93 Máhím—The town is well situated, but is crowded with gardens, and consequently there being a great deal of vegetation, it is most unhealthy for a great part of the year. The town is, it may be said, one long street. The income of the municipality is so small that improvements can only be effected gradually The charges for collection are very high and the President's attention has been drawn to the matter.

#### 94. The President remarks—

"The income of this municipality appears to be a small one barely sufficient to meet current charges. During the year under report the expenditure, amounting to Rs 2,727-1-5, exceeded by Rs. 149-9-2 the receipts amounting to Rs 2,577-8-3 which include Rs 173-6-6 realized as demands on account of former years for house and boat-taxes. The excess was apparently met from the opening balance on the 1st of April 1879, amounting to Rs 579-7-8

"As in the case of the Bassein Municipality the departmental collection of the oction duties seems to have been worked at a loss. The establishment employed for the collection of such cost Rs 354-10-1, against which should be set off a sum of Rs 97-12-2, being an increase in liquor-tax. In all octroi duties on other articles there was a decrease of Rs 90-14-11 I simply mention this as a financial result the advantages of the system of direct collection introduced under the orders of the Government of India no doubt outweigh any financial disadvantage

"Considering the limited ways and means of the municipality, the expenditure on the different objects appears to have been fairly regulated and the municipality to do the best they can with their small income. The item of the establishment is apparently too large for their scanty receipts."

95. Bhiwndi.—The report calls for little comment. The large outstanding balances have been satisfactorily explained by the Vice-President, but it appears that the practice of making the collections at the end of the year does not work well and must be abandoned.

#### 96. The President remarks—

"The important items of revenue in a financial point of view are house-tax and toll.

"The expenditure on lighting, conservancy and cleaning, and construction and maintenance of roads, the essential objects of a Municipal Government, appears to have been liberal enough, it being respectively Rs 792-3-3, Rs. 2,099-8-2, and Rs. 1,595-13-11, and more will possibly be done in this direction when the municipality is freed in a few months hence from the debt or Government loan of Rs 15,000 obtained in aid of the construction of the Waralla water-supply project, and towards the liquidation of which the municipality annually pays a sum of Rs. 2,000. The history of this project will be found in a printed memorandum issued under Government memorandum No. 780 of the 13th March 1875, Ceneral Department. The total cost of the work, which was commenced in 1872-73 ander the supervision of the Public Works Department and finished in July 1874, was

- 97. Uran.—The municipal limits comprise the two small towns of Uran and Karanja, both of which owe their importance to the large manufactures of liquor and salt.
  - 98. The President observes—
- "The only octroi duties levied in this municipality are those on tobacco, liquor, mhowra flowers, and date. The last two articles are imported for manufacture of liquor at the Uran distilleries. The revenue from the octrois amounted to Rs. 4,715-13-9 (of which a sum of Rs. 3,279-4-10 was derived from mhowra flowers)."
- 99. Kalyán and Panvel.—The reports have not been submitted in the new form owing to the records of the Panvel Municipality having been recently destroyed by the secretary, who was prosecuted and punished. The accounts of the Panvel Municipality have also not been tabulated for the several years for which data is required. The reports as received are, however, appended with the remarks of the President.

#### KOLA'BA DISTRICT.

- 100. Albág.—The municipality is really crippled for want of funds and the failure of the water-works will further encumber it. It would be a pity, after the expenditure of Rs. 40,000 on these water-works, not to utilize them, and the only means of doing so is by the substitution of iron piping for the earthenware ones, which have been found unsuitable. The cost is estimated at about Rs. 11,000, and unless Government assist the municipality with a loan and the Local Funds contribute an equal amount, the project must be abandoned. This is not the place to discuss the matter, but it is hoped the municipality will be able to lay before Government a properly matured scheme before long.
- 101. It is probable that the healthiness of the town is, as pointed out by the President, due in a great measure to the situation of the town on the seacoast and the advantages of the sea breeze, as conservancy appears to be entirely neglected, at least so far as the cleanliness of the latrines, which are situated all around the town, is concerned. The delay in substituting revised taxation is due to the municipality not having in the first instance published the notification required by Section 21 of the Municipal Act. This has now been done, and the revised schedule of taxation has been put in force since the date of the President's report.
- 102. Roha Ashtmi.—This is a very small municipality, and, notwithstanding the limited funds at its disposal, is doing excellent work. The want of water is very severely felt in the hot weather, as nearly all the wells are dry and drinking water is procured with the greatest difficulty. At times it has been found necessary to mount a guard over the only two or three sources of supply. A water-supply project has been deferred for want of funds which, however, it is hoped, will become available in a short time.
- 103. Mahád.—The report calls for little remark. It appears that owing to the want of funds to maintain a sufficient establishment the latrines are not used. The water-supply scheme, referred to by the President, must, I am afraid, be shelved for an indefinite time, for, with the hand-to-mouth existence common to the municipalities in Kolába, there are no hopes whatever of any costly scheme being undertaken.
- 104. Pen.—There is a considerable traffic between the Deccan and the sea-coast, the carts coming down the ghats bringing tobacco, molasses, pepper, onions, &c., and taking back salt and rice. This traffic, which passes through the town along the Kampoli road, is not taxed for municipal purposes. The conservancy of the town is apparently fairly attended to, but, as the Vice-President points out, there is room for improvement. The water-supply is good and plentiful, and it would, no doubt, be a great convenience to the inhabitants to have it distributed throughout the town. The earthenware pipes used for bringing the water to the town from the reservoir appear to have proved more successful than at Alíbág.

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5. Omitting the numbers pertaining to the three abolished municipalities of Mádha, Aklúj and Náteputa, the following is the constitution of the Committees of the several municipalities in the Division as compared with last year:—

	Year.				Total Num- ber of Members.	Europeans,	Natives.	Officials.	Non-Offi- cials.
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The total number of Commissioners was thus 826 against 820 in the previous In the number of Europeans serving as Commissioners there is a decrease of six, but in the number of Native Commissioners there is an increase of 12. of the total number are official and 527 non-official Commissioners, the latter being about 2 to 1 of the former. Except in the large city and town municipalities which are fairly sprinkled with men of intelligence who take an active interest in municipal affairs, the direction in the matter of all municipal improvement and progress depends chiefly upon the few official members comprising the municipal body of Commissioners. Where, however, special interest is taken by the Vice-President, the state of municipal management is found to be generally progressive. Owing however to the small incomes of a very large number of the Municipal Corporations there is little scope for ambitious undertakings, which are therefore few The time has not yet arrived for giving an elective franchise and far between. to any of the municipalities in the Division. This matter was, as regards Poona, the largest city municipality in the Division, recently discussed on an application which, though professedly coming from the inhabitants of the city, was really that of a particular section only, and the application was after due consideration negatived by Government.

6. I was in hopes of being able to furnish a statement showing the date of the establishment of each of the existing municipalities in this Division with their incomes and expenditure, but regret that I am unable, owing to the information not being furnished for the Khándesh District, to include that district in the following table which, while it shows the year in which each municipality of the other districts of the Division was established, gives also the gross income and gross expenditure of each municipality from the date of its establishment under certain main heads. According to this statement, it will be seen that of the city municipalities that of Sholápur has been in existence from the year 1853, while the city municipality of Ahmednagar was established in 1855, and that of Poona in the year 1856. A few of the town municipalities in the Sátára District, and among them Sátára itself, date their existence from 1853, while the last established municipality is that of Lonávli in the Poona District, which dates from the year 1877.

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	Miscellaneous.	99,822 5,443 2,982	1,08,247	56,552 1,542 1,542 942 2,701 3,536 11,824	77,397	2,05,550 13,552 3,444 3,944 4,040 4,040 4,040 4,040 6,148 9,040 6,000 8,	2,39,213	11,619 1,536 8,7239 8,7239 8,011 11,375 11,375 11,375 1,140 1,140 1,141 2,144 2,24 4,224	1,82,663	4,24,341 12,013 1,273 1,42,789 3,11	5,80,727	11 00 047
	Total.	5,69,761 39,044 39,116	6,48,521	4,65,909 18,717 21,580 20,144 1,01,263 89,416	7,17,029	19,79,042 44,647 44,647 44,647 17,458 40,176 40,178 11,784 71,784	28,31,581	1,08,061 14,815 14,815 5,64,773 5,667,773 11,1438 11,628 11,628 11,629 11,629 11,629 11,639 1	=	13,65,473 2,89,318 45,230 8,85,823 30,976	25,66,823	75 05 05.4
	Establish- ment and Contingencies	67,007 4 6,710 5 8,484		67,525 5,664 1 5,862 1 4,584 1 16,346 1 11,489	0,10,970	2,50,768 2,50,768 4,514 6,514 6,514 6,514 1,616	3,24,926	14,656 5 53,432 5 7 7 12,012 12,012 13,174 14,012 16,174 1	1,23,300	99,384 46,672 11,496 61,526 5,531	3 2,24,609	8 66 006
	Sauitary Establish- es. ment.	7 2,01,886 0 21.935 4 9,180	2,33,001	1,23,322 2,992 2,992 2,598 1,7,506 5,288 1,117 1,3,417	0 1,73,649	8 8,27,114 6,748 6,748 6,748 7,481 1,461 1,264 1	3,79,156	11,467 2 2,88,357 3 8,270 3 8,270 3 8,270 3 8,270 3 8,270 3 8,270 3 8,133 3 8,133 3 1,83 3 1,	<u> </u>	1,56,566 23,402 23,402 1,02,631 1,02,631	3,23,810	12.76.206
	Public Works (Sanitary).	86 17,616 85 819 80 6,932	25,367	22 13,508 22 215 215 38 940 34 7,768 17,934	39,077	14 53,691 185 4,678 19 4,678 19 11,1916 11 6,435 14 6,436 14 8,879 1,648 1,648 1,648 1,749	1,61,903	7.7 15,058 7.7 15,058 7.3 17,16,608 7.0 5,182 7.0 5,182 7.1 1,16,608 7.1 1,182 7.1 1,1	1,72,672	33,803 34,260 44,260 34 2,712 11 78,316 17 1,236	1,60,327	6 5.59,346
,	Public Works (General).			જેં					<u> </u>	ı		19,53,265
		1,41,210 4,471 5,822	1,51,003	2,22,733 2,500 5,388 2,777 48,026 29,413	3,10,715	1,05,074 38,028 38,028 38,028 38,028 10,300 5,483 4,706 7,12	2,89,448	27,141 1,90,907 20,677 21,411 31,619 12,937 12,937 12,934 12,446 5,544 5,544 16,222 30,650	3,84,714	2,23,326 99,053 15,250 4,67,299 12,457	8,17,385	_
	Kepairs	71,099 4,102 5,101	80,302	21,460 6,688 8,623 1,059 2,890 16,509	52,229	4,25,411 1,920 1,932 1,932 1,932 6,836 6,836 6,836 8,355 8,355 8,355 8,355 1,804 2,804	4,59,193	2, 273 1, 538 81, 177 6, 627 19, 907 1, 1, 602 1, 1, 602 1, 1, 603 1, 1, 603 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1	1,45,684	2,34,249 14,103 3,903 57,645 7,159	3,17,059	10,54,467
	Education,	19,740 102 3,100	21,942	7,479 10 387 629 1,857	10,632	6,503 365 2,676 1,293 1,393 2,764 2,764 1,993 1,993	16,786	1,783 1,307 1,307 3,702 3,872 1,028 900 983 733 733 733 733	12,188	20,470 7,691 940 20,192	49,343	1,10,621
	Miscellaneous.	50,394 429 1,122	51,945	366	395	6.47,692   2,113 460	6,50,589		:	3,99,061	4,76,326	11,79,255
-	Total.	5,68,952 38,568 38,241	192'95'9	4,56,027 18,129 20,888 18,741 18,741 95,619	6,97,397	19,45,453 44,626 44,628 17,612 17,612 13,324 13,334 13,334 13,540 11,540 1,540 1,908	22,82,001	73.284 13,876 13,876 5,83,988 35,653 1,00,690 10,0393 25,032 22,032 21,707 22,732 12,891 12,891 12,891 12,891	10,05,148	11,96,849 2,35,181 43,865 8,64,884 28,080	2,36,859	69,99,168

- 7. A glance at the above statement will show that generally speaking indirect taxation has found greater favour among the Municipal Bodies than direct taxation. The chief source of indirect taxation is octroi, which, though beset by numerous difficulties in the way of its fair distribution among the tax-payers, is generally preferred to taxes directly leviable on house and other property. The Government of India are desirous of regulating the levy of octroi so as it shall be the least burdensome to the people and interfere as little as possible with the general trade of the country. To effect this object close attention is invariably paid to the mode of levying this tax with the view of regulating its levy so as to prevent its becoming, what it should not be, a transit duty; but there are, no doubt, as recently pointed out by the Government of India, instances in which further revision is still necessary, and I hope to take an early opportunity of bringing the subject under careful consideration with a view to rectifying any palpable errors that may have hitherto escaped attention.
- 8. At the same time it will be seen that direct taxation forms the chief source of income in a few of the municipalities appearing in the above statement. Taking each district separately, the following is the proportion in which the incomes from date of establishment have been derived by the municipalities in each district. I am unable to give similar information for the entire Division owing to the omission of the municipalities in Khándesh from the statement:—

			Number	Proportion of Income derived from				
	1	Districts.			of Munici- palities.	Direct Taxation.	Indirect Taxation.	Miscellane- ous Items.
A. 7						4.5	•••	3.7
Ahmednagar	• • •	•••	• • •	•••	3	47.	38.	17.
Násik	•••		•••		6	55.	35.	11.
Poona					12	19.	70.	10.
Sátára includin	g Málcoln	ı Peth	•••	•••	12	21.	62.	16.
Sholápur	٠	• • •	***		5	1.	76.	22.

9. For the same districts the gross expenditure from date of establishment under the main heads has been in the following proportions:—

Main Heads.	Ahmed- nagar.	Násik.	Poona.	Sátára.	Sholápur.	
Establishment and Contingencies Sanitary Establishment Public Works (Sanitary) Public Works (General) Repairs Education Miscellaneous		13· 36· 4· 23· 12· 3· 8·	16· 25· 6· 45· 7· 2·	14· 17· 7· 13· 20· 	12: 17: 17: 38: 14: 1:	9· 14· 7· 35· 13· 2· 20·

- 10. It will be observed from the foregoing table that between 9 and 16 per cent. of the incomes have been expended upon Establishment and Contingencies; that between 14 and 36 per cent. on Sanitary Establishments; that between 13 and 45 per cent. on Public Works (General); that except in Sátára the expenditure on Public Works (Sanitary) has been comparatively trifling, while the expenditure on Education is almost inappreciable, the Poona District contributing nothing under this head. Road repairs seem to have had pretty fair attention.
- 11. From the following table will be seen the income of each municipality in the Division for the year 1879-80, under the three heads, "Indirect Taxation," "Direct Taxation" and "Miscellaneous," as also the incidence per head of population under these three heads, the population being shown according to

the Census of 1872. According to this return the total income from taxation of the municipalities in the Division for the year, amounting to Rs. 5,44,413, is divisible as follows:—

 Indirect Taxation
 ...
 ...
 ...
 Rs. 3,19,454

 Direct Taxation
 ...
 ...
 ...
 ,, 1,98,840

 Miscellaneous
 ...
 ...
 ...
 ,, 26,119

the incidence per head amounting in the case of Indirect Taxation to 8 annas 10 pies, in that of Direct Taxation to 5 annas 7 pies, and in the case of Miscellaneous items to 8 pies per head, or a total under the three heads of 15 annas only.

#### Income for 1879-80.

		o. Name oi Municipal Towns and Cities.			Popula	-j	FOR THE	B YEAR 18	79-80.	Incidence	PER HEAD OF	MUNICIPAL T	'AXATION.
District.	No.	Name oi Mur and	nicipa Cities	l Towns	per Census of 1872.		Direct Tax- ation.	Miscel- lancous.	Total.	lndirect.	Direct.	Miscellane- ous.	Total.
Ahmed- nagar.	1 2 3	Ahmednagar Bhingár Sangamner	:.	Total .	9,030	Rs. 24,638 3,695 28,333	Rs. 6,147 526 2,316 8,989	Rs. 1,198	Rs. 30,735 1,724 6,011 38,520	Rs. a. p. 0 12 0 0 6 6	Rs. a. p. 0 2 11 0 1 8 0 4 1 0 3 0	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p. 0 14 11 0 5 6 0 10 7
Khūudesh,	4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 7 8 19 20 21	Jalgaon Varangaon Erandol Disarangaon Amalner Párola Bhadgaon Máheji Songir Prakásha Sháháda Nandurbár Talodu Dhulla Sindkheda Betávad Shírpur Chopda			. 8,406 . 4,018 . 10,356 . 11,691 . 6,968 . 5,474 . 2,151 . 4,618 . 7,204 . 4,722 . 4,723 . 4,501 . 3,04C . 5,94 . 13,696	2,626 123 275 250 200 450 98  80 405 1,496 2,257 1,443 16,097	10,336 2,003 3,636 1,460 2,382 1,150 1,150 1,839 1,083 1,083 1,083 1,083 1,083 1,083 1,083 2,479 2,363	4,728 6	17,690 2,126 3,931 3,931 3,940 1,660 1,925 1,363 1,150 1,925 1,922 2,944 2,944 2,944 2,945 1,541 994 3,546 3,114	0 4 11 0 0 5 0 0 5 0 0 5 0 0 7 0 0 7 0 0 3 0 1 9 0 4 11 0 5 0 0 1 4 10 1 4 7 0 6 10 0 2 2 10 0 0 10	1 3 8 0 7 17 0 4 3 4 0 3 3 8 0 0 6 4 1 0 4 9 8 0 0 6 4 1 0 4 9 8 0 0 5 5 5 0 4 5 8 0 2 9	0 8 11	2 1 6 0 8 4 0 6 0 0 4 7 9 0 3 10 0 8 10 0 9 8 8 0 9 8 8 0 1 11 0 5 5 0 5 9 6 0 5 9 6 0 3 7
Nasik.	22 23 24 25 26 27	Násik Trimbak Sunar Igatpuri Yeola Málegaon		Total	125,126 22,436 3,16 9,152 4,956 17,46 9,701	3,871 8,752	14,425 1,554 1,235 1,952 6,789 8,363 29,318	8,213  647 405 9,265	36,344 1,554 1,205 1,952 10,807 7,520 59,412	0 3 6 0 9 9  0 3 1 0 6 2	0 5 8 0 10 3 0 7 10 0 2 1 0 6 3 0 6 2 0 5 6	0 0 7 0 5 10  0 0 7 0 0 8	0 9 9 1 9 10 0 7 10 0 2 1 0 6 3 0 9 10 0 12 4
Poons.	289 299 300 812 323 343 353 363 373 383 383	Poona City Indipur Bărăurati Săsvad Jejuri Sirûr Talegaon, I Junnar Talegaon, I Khed A'landi Lonáyli	• •	ida	90,436 6,021 4,976 6,411 2,666 4,42: 10,29 5,04 6,44 1,62 2,32	97,218 928 2,679 2,801 552 2,452 491 34,468 2,245 	55,700 724 2,546 59 1,695 651 88 1,251 2,410	1,323	1,54,236 1,647 5,225 2,301 2,563 4,147 1,142 4,463 2,838 1,251 2,410 630	1 1 2 0 2 5 0 8 7 0 5 8 0 3 3 3 0 7 4 0 1 9 0 6 11 0 7 1	0 9 10 0 1 11 0 8 2 0 0 4 0 5 1 0 2 4 0 0 3 0 3 1 1 7 8	0 0 2	1 11 2 0 4 4 1 0 9 0 5 8 0 15 3 0 12 5 0 4 1 0 6 11 0 7 4 0 3 1 1 7 8
Sátára.	40 41 42 43 44 44 46 47 48 49 50 51	Vita Såtdra Rahimatpu Wái Málcolm Pe Islámpur Túsgaon Ashta Pusesávli Máyni Mhasvad	eth ::	Total		3 2,786 286 3 23,852 9 480 6 1,692 3 2,270 6 85 1 902 3 342 7 7,710 217	1,384 8,662 65 59 1,565 157 80	555 152 80 343 1,649 190 69 345 88 71 43 487 1,634	1,82,348 4,725 4,725 1,353 5,102 2,235 1,918 2,615 853 973 390 2,197 1,851 57,244	0 12 5  0 4 5 0 1 2 0 15 11  0 2 4 6 0 2 9 3 0 3 5 0 1 2 0 5 10 0 1 11 0 4 10 0 2 3 3  0 6 4	0 7 2 0 2 2 0 5 9 0 0 1 0 9 0 0 0 1 0 1 11	0 0 4  0 0 11 0 0 7  0 0 10 0 2 2 0 1 0 0 0 6 0 0 1  0 0 2 0 1 4 1 1 5	0 7 6 0 1 9 1 5 8 0 3 3 0 6 8 0 12 10 0 3 7 0 3 11 0 6 3 0 2 1 0 6 2 1 3 8
Sholapur.	55 54 56 56 57	Bārsi Town Karmāla Pandharpu Sāngola	r	Total Total	53,40 15,14 3,54 16,27 4,94 93,31	56,588 14,538 2,264 13,687 517	11,701 954 27,117 480 40,252	1,576 348 1,924	68,289 14,538 3,218 42,330 1,345 1,29,720 5,44,413	1 0 11 0 15 4 0 10 2 0 13 4 0 1 8	0 3 6 0 4 3 1 10 7 0 1 6 0 6 10 0 5 7	0 1 6 0 1 1 0 0 3 0 0 8	1 4 5 0 15 4 0 14 5 2 9 5 0 4 3 1 6 1

12. Looking at each district, it will be observed that the total of Rs. 5,44,413 is made up as follows:—

	Di	istricts.				Indirect Taxation.	Direct Taxation,	Micellaneous.
						Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Ahmednagar		•••		•••		28,333	8,989	1,198
Khándesh	•••	•••	•••	•••		27,782	44,636	4,751
Násik	•••		***	•••		20,829	29,318	9,265
Poona	•••	•••	***		• • •	1,13,319	65,754	3,275
Sátára	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	39,561	11,977	5,706
Sholápur	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	87,544	40,252	1,924

and that the incidence per head of population amounts in each district as follows:—

	Incidence per Head of Population,													
	D	istricts.					lirec atio		Direct ?	Гаха	tion.	Miscel	laneo	ous.
						Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.
Ahmednagar		•••		•••		0	9	8	0	3	0	0	0	4
Khándesh	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	0	3	6	0	5	8	0	0	7
Násik	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	0	4	11	0	7	0	0	2	2
Poona		•••	•••	•••	•••	0	12	5	0	7	2	0	0	4
Sátára	•••		•••	•••	• • • •	0	6	4	0	1	11	0	0	11
Sholápur	•••	100	•••	•••	•••	0	15	0	0	6	10	0	0	3

13. The subjoined table shows the gross receipts of the several municipalities under the different main heads for the year in comparison with the same for the year preceding:—

Heads,				Receip	ts.	e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e
neaus,	1878-7	9.	1879-8	0.	More.	Less.
Octroi	90,382 8,784	a. p. 13 6 3 11 9 8	95,862	a. p. 10 9 4 10 6 0	Rs. a. p. 29,735 13 3 5,480 0 11	Rs. a. p
ceipt from carriages and other vehicles (excluding tolls)  Tax on animals  Tolls  Unclassed taxes  Rent of houses, gardens, markets	5,151 9,975 6,801 69,607		11,091 7,433	0 3 15 1 5 6 15 4	1,095 14 9 1,116 8 11 631 9 0 35,216 4 6	******
&c. Fines	15,618 7,988 1,13,140	2 5	14,948 8,897 2,46,461	8 11	909 6 6 1,33,320 12 7	670 6 8
rendered to individuals Grant-in-aid from Provincial of Local Funds	11,075	0 1			2,739 3 2	1,653 7 4
	6,38,836	4 7	8,39,557	12 6	2,10,245 9 7	9,524 1 8
			Dedu Net Incres	ict	9,524 1 8	<b>3</b>

- 14. It will be seen that the total gross income of the municipalities in the Division amounts to Rs. 8,39,557-12-6, which, as compared with that for the year 1878-79, shows an increase of Rs. 2,00,721-7-11, or 23.90 per cent. For correct comparison, however, the income of last year of the three municipalities of Mádha, Aklúj and Náteputa, abolished during the year, must be deducted from the total for 1878-79, which will then leave the actual increase in the income of the year under report at Rs. 2,03,839-0-3, or 24.28 per cent.
- 15. The largest increase in the year's receipts is under the head "Miscellaneous." This item includes the large loan of Rs. 1,93,894 taken up by the Sholápur Municipality during the year and is not a recurring item of receipt. In unclassed taxes the increase amounts to Rs. 35,216-4-6. The octroi collections have increased by Rs. 29,735-13-3; but if the cost of the collecting establishment for both years is deducted, the net increase amounts to Rs. 28,162-3-1 only. In taxes on houses and lands, there is an increase of Rs. 5,480-0-11; while in the other remaining items the increases are of comparatively small amount. There is a somewhat large decrease in receipts from licenses on trades, which is chiefly due to the abolition of the tax on professions in the town of Bhingár mentioned in para. 19 of my report for last year.
- 16. The total expenditure of the year amounted to Rs. 6,50,776, and may be classified as follows:—

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Establishment and Contingencies. Rs. 1,06,766 or 16:40 per cent.
                                   ,, 1,58,317 or 24.33
Sanitary Establishments
Public Works (Sanitary)
                                        56,458 or 8.67
                                   ,,
                                                           "
                                      1,36,283 or 20.94
Public Works (General)
                                  2)
                                                           "
                                       51,291 or 7.88
Repairs ...
                                  ,,
                                                           "
Education
                                       17,743 or 2.72
                                  ,,
                                                           ,,
                                  ,, 1,23,918 or 19.06
Miscellaneous ...
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The details for each municipality are given in the table subjoined :-

Expenditure for 1879-80.

No. Name of			1		To a					
No. Name of			EXPENDITURE IN 1879-80.							
No. Name of	Municipal Town.	Popula- tion.	Establish- ment and Contin- gencies.	Sanitary Establish- ment.	Public Works (Sanitary.)	Public Works (General)	Repairs.	Educa- tion,	Micellane- ous,	Total.
			Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
pauly 2 Ahmedn Bhingar Sangami	agar City	32,641 4,864 9,030	5,455 670 1,420	12,830 1,576 501	2,354 1,688	11,671 823 1,993	8,191 801 579	1,495 36 258	8,891 222 763	50,587 3,628 - 7,203
V	Total	46,735	7,545	14,407	4,042	14,687	9,071	1,789	9,876	61,417
4 Jalgaon 5 Varanga 6 Erandol 7 Dharang 8 Amalner 9 Párola 10 Bhadgao 11 Mánegi 12 Songir 13 Prakásh 14 Sháháda 15 Nanduri 16 Taloda 18 Sindkhe 19 Betávad 20 Shirpur 21 Chopda	an	8,406 4,018 10,356 11,491 6,968 11,436 5,474 2,161 4,618 3,590 4,718 7,204 4,723 12,489 4,501 3,040 5,944 13,699	2,339 327 429 600 359 541 276 340 288 202 525 505 529 2,273 259 227 840	1,905 288 1,770 1,434 520 1,455 613 208 396 609 848 1,354 536 5,797 847 297 980 912	1,151 475 49 64 784 1,080 .251 300 4,175 202 15 483 751	3,022  1,319 1,634 2,752 40  309  2,316 692 417 804 515	1,393 74 424 621 189 428 325 102 273 22 351 17 1,146 66 289 256	209 24 441 398 205 242 200  34 39 35 63 2,453	8.340 1,297 142 585 195 104 201 266 460 140 402 531 238 958 958 92 47 197 284	18,499 2,010 3,681 5,006 3,166 6,366 2,735 1,167 1,462 1,623 2,105 3,633 1,383 19,118 1,816 1,070 3,280 3,558
	Total	125,126	11,807	20,269	10,381	13,820	6,439	4,433	14,589	81,738
Násik 23 Trimbak 24 Sinnar 25 Expurios 26 Yeola 27 Málegao		22,436 3,161 9,153 4,950 17,461 9,701	8,622 694 335 502 1,422 1,829	3,414 847 264 722 2,838 3,365	709 3 305 186 567 1,353	22,966 71 474 142 414 3,859	330 772 131 125	795  45  98 189	32 189 4,963 1,224	36,836 1,887 1,586 1,866 10,302 11,322
4	Total	66,862	13,404	10,958	3,123	27,426	1,358	1,127	6,408	63,799
28 Poona C 29 Indápur 30 Bārámat 31 Sásvad 32 Jejuri 33 Strúr 34 Talegaor 35 Junnar 36 Talegaor 7 Khed 38 A'laudi 39 Lonavii	Dhamdhera Dàbháda	90,436 6,020 4,975 6,416 2,660 5,325 4,428 10,298 5,040 6,446 1,624 2,324	30,712 1,504 744 288 917 356 1,818 722 337 1,074 181	55,539 230 810 483 9 850 218 668 578 254 462 140	11,296 312 849 652 1,314 530 500 189 228 50	41,215 640 1,221 178  586 209 307 328 24 978 365	26,644 10 304 555 717 1,187 69 389 234 121 20	980 45 12 387 222 59 201 80	6,788	1,78,174 1,706 4,733 2,624 2,715 4,293 1,241 3,682 2,247 2,614 747
	Total	145,992	89,167	60,241	16,250	46,046	30,250	1,938	6,849	2,00,739

#### Expenditure for 1879-80-continued.

					EXPENDITURE FOR 1879-80.								
District.	No.	Name of Municip	al Town	Popula- tion.	Establish- ment and Contin- gencies.		Public Works (Sanitary.)	Public Works (General.)	Repairs.	Education	Miscella- neous.	Total.	
					Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
Sátára.	40 41 42 43 44 45 46 47 48 49 50 51	Karád Vita		. 10,043 3,826 23,903 6,306 11,893 2,759 8,368 10,528 9,136 2,444 2,814 5,647	1,352 132 5,468 538 1,454 3,816 449 1,020 204 340 180 848 429	616 67 9,119 240 1,903 824 209 524 234 175 58 146 119	804 2,526 1,496 1,576 1,010 1,054 315 500	1,042 52 3,894 536 395 8,662 199 3,121 102 796 725 823 1,485	2,313	180; 32 360 110 90 168	1,032 297 5,874 142 702 1,813 653 720 51 77 26 192 302	5,026 554 26,913 1,456 6,310 14,114 2,610 6,607 591 1,703 339 2,009 2,356	
			Total .	99,167	15,730	14,234	9,308	16,182	2,313	940	11,881	70,588	
Sholápur.	53 54 55 56 57	Sholápur City Bársi Karmála Pandharpur Sángola	** ** **	53,403 15,140 3,549 16,275 4,946	8,484 3,873 1,184 5,364 208 19,113	25,418 2,878 1,466 8,784 167	5,317 2,178  5,713 146	8,137 1,820 674 6,982 509	1,362 498 	1,420 875 5 5,218  7,518	65,426  8,679 210 74,315	1,14,262 12,486 3,827 40,740 1,240	
		GRAND T		577,195	1,06,766	1,58,317	56,458	1,36,283	51,291	17,743	1,23,918	6,50,776	

17. It will be observed that the expenditure on Sanitary Establishments gives the largest percentage and that Public Works (General) shows the next largest, being in the case of the former 24·33 per cent. and in the latter 20·94 per cent. Establishments and Contingencies have cost 16·40 per cent., which is comparatively a large expenditure on this account. Public Works (Sanitary) give a percentage expenditure of 8·67 per cent., Education 2·72 per cent., Repairs 7·88 per cent., and Miscellaneous 19·06 per cent. I may here note that, in the course of my last year's tour, I found that at Sholápur the municipality was contributing to the maintenance of a Gujaráthi school, a language entirely foreign to the district. The impropriety of such expenditure has been brought to the notice of the Collector and President.

18. I subjoin a table showing the municipalities in which octroi is levied, with the revenue derived from this source in the year under report contrasted with that obtained in the preceding year. This table also gives the cost of collection for both years and the percentage it bears to the revenue obtained:—

jį.	No.	Name of M	funicip	ality.		Amount Reve		Cost of C	ollection.	Percei	ntage.	Remarks.
District.	10.	21102200				1878-79.	1879-80.	1878-79.	1879-80.	1878-79.	1879-80.	
<u>.</u>		_				Rs. 20.375	Rs. 24,638	Rs.	Rs.			
Ahmed-nagar.	1 2	Ahmednagar Sangamner	••	::		2,523	3,695	1,568 435	1,929 594	7·69 17·24	7·82 16·10	
¥ a				Total	••	22,898	28,333	2,003	2,523	8-31	8.90	
Khandesh.	3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18	Jalgaon Varangaon Erandol Dharangaon Amalner Párola Bhadgaon Songir Prakásha Snáháda Naháda Nahdurbár Teloda Sindkheda Betávad Betávad Shirpur Chopda				4,669         	2,626 123 275 250 200 450 98 80 405 1,496 2,237 1,443 16,097 164 1,067 751	1,254	1,356	26·85	51.63    18.71 20.24 11.08 6 99  17.99	There is no separate establishment for collection of octroi in these municipalities.  (a) No separate establish ment is apparently maintained.
				Total	••	24,898	27,782	3,578	3,853	14:37	13.86	
Násik.	20 21 22	Násik Yeola Málegaon		**	•	3,376	13,706 3,871 3,752	4,169 794 1,203	4,388 (b) 1,183	30·31 23·51 30·24	32·01 31·52	(b) The cost of collection is not shown in the statement furnished by
7	12			Total	••	21,107	20,829	6,166	5,571	29.21	26.74	the Collector.

ıct	No Name of Municipality				of Octroi cuue	Cost of C	ollection	Perce	ntage	Remarks.
District				1876-79	1879 80.	1878 79	1879 80	1878 79	1879 80.	
				Rs	Rs,	Rs	Rs.			
Poon.	23 24 25 26 27 25 29 30 31	Poona City Ind upun		98 711 1,011 2,603 1,741 196 2,(35 526 1 ( 9	97,213 9,3 2,679 2,301 57,2 2,452 191 4,100 2,215	6,191 251 789 319 244 100 772 469	6,377 2,2 8)1 415 240 526 1 0 876 460	6 27 22 73 30 28 18 2 49 19 1>18 16 59 21 32	6 55 27 30 33 26 19 33 55 75 21 45 26 47 19 62 20 19	
			Total .	1,11 282	11,, 1)	7, 115	10,217	8 21	9 04	
Stitra,	32 34 35 36 37 38 39 40 41 42 43	Kuid Viti Situa 1 limutpu Wi Wi M leclm Peth Islampur Tisgion Ashty Pussish Myni Mhassad Shingnapur		3,7-3 16,018 1,211 3,117 ,443 1,760 2,61 (37 1,170 112 1,273 221 3 > 809	2,7%6 239,5,13 915 3,394 150 1,612 2,-70 683 342 1,710 21"	094 • (a) 2,231 -56 807 130 11,2 523 (b) 131 • (3	891 2,684 28N 916 209 164 729 151 73 14N 72 6, 43	26 18 13 '0 21 13 20 60 31 99 9 20 20 09 11 10 9 90 2, 13	31 98 11 25 30 47 26 18 4 54 4 69 32 11 17 07 22 50 9 45 33 18	(a) No separate establishment is apparently maintained  (b) No separate establishment in apparently night uned
Shol'tpm.	15 40 17 18 1)	Shol ipiu City Baisi Kaimila Pin th irpiu Sin_ola	: .	42 105 1', 02 2 073 12,171 2"5 68 129	56 555 11 7 5 2 261 13,637 517 87 144	4 008 -,171 677 2,271 110	4, 0; 2,24; 67; 2,288 41 9,5 2	9 52 15 87 52 77 15 65 19 03	7 60 15 30 20 88 16 77 7 73	
		Gran	TOTAL	2,85,773	°,17 68	3,87,	38,039	12 55	11 99	

19. Compared with 1878-79 it will be seen that the total cost of the collecting establishment for the year is slightly less, being 11.99 per cent. in 1579-80 against 12.65 per cent. in 1878-79. Looking at each district the percentage cost is found to be as follows:—

					1878 79.	1879 80.
Ahmedna	gar	•••		•••	8 31	8 90
Khándes		•••	•••		11 57	$13\ 86$
Násik			•••	•••	29 21	26 71
Poons		•••	•••	•••	8 21	£0 £
Satara			• • •	••	16 18	$16 \cdot$
Sholapur	•••	•••			12.55	10 88

There is thus a slight improvement visible in every district of the Division except Ahmednagar and Poona, where however the increase is trifling.

- 20. In individual municipalities, however, the cost of collection still remains at a high figure and notably among these are the municipalities of Jejuri in the Poona District, Jalgaon and Chopda in the Khándesh District, and Málcolm Peth in the Sátára District. There are several others also in which the cost exceeds 25 per cent. of the collections, viz., Násik and Málegaon in the Násik District; Bárámati, Indápur and Talegaon Dhamdhera, in the Poona District; and Shingnápur, Tásgaon, Karád, Rahimatpur and Wái in the Sátára District. The question of a reduction in these collecting establishments with reference to the remarks in para. 6 of Government Resolution No. 1556, dated 1st June 1880, is under consideration.
- 21. The number of octroi-levying municipalities in the Division is 49, and taking the Government standard of average consumption or expenditure per head of the population, as shown in para. 7 of the Resolution of the Government of India, dated 9th November 1880, I find that in the following municipalities of the Division that standard is exceeded by more than twice the maximum in the following instances:—

		CLASS I.									
Grains.		(Gove	rnment	standard	7	maunds	per	head).			
							Maun	ds.			
	Dhulia	***	•••	100	••						
	Talegaon,	Dhamdh	era		• •		120	)			

Coarse Sugar		(Govern	ment st	andaıd	15 se	ers pe	er head).
							Seers
	Dhulia .		• • •	•••			39
~.		4.54					
Ghee.		(Govern	ment st	andard 4	4 seer	s per l	iead).
							Seers.
	Poora City	•			• • •	***	11
	Sirúr .				•••		10
	Bársi	••	,	•••		4 . 4	12
	Pandharpu	r .		••	• • •	•••	13
			CLASS Y	VII.			
Croth		(Govern	ment st	andard l	Rs. 6	per he	/he
		( 0.0 1 02 22		cmaara.	LUD. U	-	auj.
	•					Rs. a.	p.
	Sangamner	• •	***	••	•••	22 13	1
	Taloda	• •	•••	•••	***	31 13	5
	Dhulia		•	•••	•••	28 1	0
	Násik	•••	• • •	•	• • •	78 8	7
	Yeola	••	• •	•••	• •	20 5	5
	Málegaou	• •	•	•••		12 14	
	Bárámatı	0/11/7	• • •	***	•••	15 10	7
	Talegaon, I		***	• •		76 10	5
	Talegaon, I Sátára	Jnamaner	a	•••	•••	16 12	1
	Mhasvad		•••	• •	•••	27 12	1
	Sholápur	• •	•••	•••	•••	18 15	2
	Bársi		•••		•••	$\begin{array}{ccc} 22 & 11 \\ 22 & 0 \end{array}$	1
	Karmála	•••	•	***		15 7	6
	Pandhar pur		•••	•••	•••		10
	z azaza. paz	•	• •		•••	20 0	10
			CLASS V	III.			
Metals.	(	(Govern	ment sta	ındard l	Rs. 2	per he	ead).
						Rs. a.	p.
	Jalgaon			•	•••	12 0	8
	Taloda	•••	•••		p • •	32 5	0
	Bet ivad		••			6 12	0
	Shirpur		•••	••		6 13	6
	Násik				••	8 13	2
	Poona			•••		5 8	(1
	Indápui			***	• • •	8 3	
	Jejuri					4 2	3
	Junuar		•		••	13 2	0
	Bai si	•••			•	5 4	4
	Pandharpur	• •	•••	•••	•••	4 9	4

It is extremely difficult to account for the large variations perceptible in the above figures. In some municipalities it is pretty clear that the computations are not correct, but in several which are large market towns from which a considerable number of the inhabitants of surrounding villages obtain their weekly supplies, but whose numbers are not included in the resident population of the town, it is not too much to say that if such extra population were added, the consumption per head would not be found to be so high as is shown by the above figures. Besides this, which works as a disturbing element, it may be asumed that the imports into a town cannot always be regulated by traders so as to precisely be within the quantity consumed in the year. It may be that just towards the close of the official year when trade is usually most brisk, large imports sufficient for the consumption of the monsoon period, not only of the resident population but also of that of neighbouring villages, are received, and although this may, to a certain extent, explain why more than one complete year's food and other commodities are kept in stock, it hardly explains why such stock should be in some places so much more than double the quantities required for consumption in one year. It is to this point I purpose particularly drawing the attention of the Municipal Commissioners with the view of remedying errors and defects where they may be found to exist. With the restrictions already existing, it is difficult to conceive that there can be cases in which octroi may become a transit duty, but as the point is worthy of investigation, I shall take an early opportunity of discussing it in greater detail after reference to the Presidents of the municipalities concerned.

The following is a statement of the sums reported to be outstanding on account of each municipality at the close of the year. It will be seen that the total represents a sum of Rs. 1,07,419, of which no less than Rs. 27,248 or 25.39 per cent. stands against the Bhingár Municipality alone. From a statement furnished by the Collector and President, it appears that the balances in Bhingár are outstanding from the year 1862-63, but beyond this no information whatever is obtainable from the reports received either as to the nature of these balances or as to the probability or otherwise of their eventual recovery. income of this municipality for the year amounts to Rs. 2,384, so that the balance The next large outstanding equals between 11 and 12 years' net income. outstanding item pertains to the Poona City Municipality, but from the explanations given, it will be seen that the balances are being duly attended to. Sholapur City Municipality shows a clean balance sheet, which is extremely creditable to the management. Sátára, Násik and Bársi Towns show comparatively large balances, as also do Yeola and Málegaon in the Násik District. early adjustment of these balances is very desirable. It is clear that there has not been proper supervision in some of the municipalities over these outstanding items:

Statement of Outstandings due in the several Municipalities of the Central Division at the close of 1879-80.

	Reasons assigned by the Commissioners.	0	tax and halalkhor cess remained to be recovered. Of this Rs. 4,000 are likely to go in remission. Of the miscellaneous item Rs. 300 will be recovered, and the rest will have	to be remitted.  It is not shown by the Commissioners to what particular items this large belong the	tains; hence it has been here shown under Miscellaneous.  The outstanding balances are stated to be very small in amount, and are for the most part irrecoverable, owing to the	tusotvency and absconding of tax-payers.	Rs. 1,590 has since been recovered. The balance is due to the mability of the people to pay.
	Total.	Rs. 17,601		27,248	503	45,351	2,130
	Miscella- neous,	Rs. 3,607		27,248	<u> </u>	30,890	1,518
	Cattle tax, &c.	Rs.		:	:	:	:
UNT OF	Interest levied on Earth and Stone Farms.	Жв. .:		•	:	<b>!</b>	:
BALANCES ON ACCOUNT OF	Ground- tent, &c			:	:	:	:
BALAN	Rent for Market.	Rs.		:	;	:	÷
11	Halalkhon Cess.	Вв. 10,049		:	403	10,451	:
	Wheel- tax,	Rs		:	:	:	:
	House-	Rs. 3,945		:	65	4,010	612
	Names of Municipal Towns and Cities.	Ahmednagar City		Bhingar Town	Sangamner do	Total	Jalgaon
	No.	H		63	ಣ		4
	District.		Ahmednagar				Consumption to the same of the

	Reasons assigned by the Commissioners.	*Instalment on account of liquor- tax was not due at close of	Rs. 1,841, Rs. 688 have since been recovered. The balances are due to confusion in the ac-	kárkún who was convicted last	merpal funds. It has been a work of much labour—cetting	the accounts into order—as the balances are due from 800	people, but the work is half finished.	Insolvency and obstinacy of tax-	covered.  y and obstinacy or	payers. Us. 97 nave since been recovered.  Insolvency and absconding of	tax-payers. Ks. 38 have since been recovered  Tax-payers left the fair before	the tax was collected.  Enquiry is in progress.	remitted.  Rs. 32 since recovered.	u.	much is due to the fact that the persons responsible have left Dhulia. About Rs. 200 have since been recovered, and enquiries as to the rest are in progress.
	Total.	Rs. 1,941						259	115	146	01	905	134	135 1,388	
	Miscella- neons.	Rs. *100						:	:	:	10	: :	•	::	
	Cattle-	Rs						:	:	•	:	: :	:	::	
NT OF	Interest leved on Earth and Stone Farms,	Rs.						:	:	:	•	: :		::	
BALANCES ON APCOLNT OF	Ground- 1ent, &c.	Rs.	W. a an annual Principal Control						:	:	•	:		::	
BAEAN	Rent for Marker							:	:	:	:	:	•	::	
	Hal ulkhor Cess.	Rs				-		•		:		: :		998.	
	Wheel-	. R						:	:	•	:	: :	:	::	
	House tax.	Rs 1,841					-	259		1 16	:	905	134	135	
	icipal ties.	•		Makin Theorem	1986,443,845,845,846,		olimbiry, it, projekty, ki		* *	• 0	•	• (		: :	
	Names of Municipal Towns and Cities.	Erendol						Dharangaou	Amalner	Párola	Máheji	Songír Prakásha	Sháháda	Nandurbár Dhulia	
	N <sub>o</sub>	10						9	-	∞	<u>.</u>	10	12	21.2	
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	Distríct.									Khándesh					

15	Sindkheda	i	942	:	:	:	:	:	:	•	942	Rs. 856 have been recovered up to July 1880, and the remain-
16	Betávad	:	. 168	:	•	:	:	:	:	12	180	ing will be recovered shortly. Rs. 114 have since been recovered, and the rest will be
17	Chopda .	:	66	:		•	;	:	:	:	66	recovered.  The balance has been partly recovered and partly remitted before the end of July 1880.
		Total .	6,382	:	366	:			:	1,640	8,388	
18	Násik	:	1,779	:	2,696	:	:	:	:	:	4,468	The reason of the balance remaining uncollected is chiefly the poverty of the people.
19	Trimbak .	:	15	•	:	i	•	:	:	:	51	recovered by means of distraint of property wherever possible. The balance for 1877-78 is due to parties having left their
20	Sinnar	:	89	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	89	is, and that ic g realized. alance for 1877 ue to the part
21	Yeola	:	3,421		214	:	:	:		•	3,635	left the country. That for 1879 is being realized. The balance from 1863 to 1874 on account of house-tax, being only Re 50 is triffing coal.
23	Málegaon	;	2,622	<u>:</u>	179	÷	:	:	:	:	2,801	reported chiefly to be due by persons who have absconded or who have mortgaged or sold their houses to others, and is, therefore, irrecoverable. Measures are being taken to collect the rest.  The house-tax and halfilkhorcess items comprise the balances for 1877@1879. They were not collected because the balouseholders had to pay previous years' balances.
		Total	7,934	:	3,089	:	:	:	:		11,023	

Dieterin   15.0   Towns and Musicipal   Taylor   Taylor					CORRECT LAND CONTRACT OF THE C		BALANCES C	BALANCES ON ACCOUNT OF	ÆC.				
24 Indéput 48 48	Dietrica.	L.S.		House	Wheel-	Halalkhon Cess.	Rent tor Market.	(†1 ound-	Interest levied on Earth and Stone Faims,	Cattle-	Mısı ella- ncous.	Total.	Reasons assigned by the Commissioners.
24 Indáput 48 48		- 53		$\rm Rs \\ 7,670$	Rs. 2,261	Rs. 13,067	Rs.	Rs	.: Rs.	Rs.	Rs. 39	Rs. 23,037	Of this Rs. 806 on account of house-tax and Rs. 185 on account of halálkhor cess due for
24 Indápur 48 48  25 Jejuri													the year, 1865-66 to 1877-78 are irrecoverable, because the persons from whom they are due are not to be found and they will be written off Rs. 930 on
24 Indspur 48 48 48													account of house-tax, Rs. 542 on account of wheel-tax, and Rs. 2,680 on account of halálkhor
24 Indáput 48 87 87 87 87													cess due for the year 1878-79 have mainly to be remitted according to rules for houses re-
24 Indápu		-											maining unoccupied and carriages not in use. The rest of the
26 Sirár 244 *515 86 7 22 874  27 Talegaon, Dhamdhera 651 651		24		48	:	•	:	•	:	:	•	48	Insolvency and migration. Steps are being taken for recovery.
26 Sirúr 244 *515 86 7 22 874 27 Talegaon, Dhamdhera 651 651		25	200	:	:	:	:		• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	•	12	87	The contract for levying octroiduty was sold to Govind Vithal
26 Sirár 244 *515 86 7 27 Talegaon, Dhamdhera 651 651													for a sum of Rs. 448; when he failed to pay his instalment, the
Sirúr      244      *515     86     7       22     874       Talegaon, Dhamdhera.          651     651	Poona	~											fown duties were levied de- partmentally; in so doing the
Sirár        244        *515       86       7         22       874         Talegaon, Dhamdhera.            651       651       661										-			Rs. 86-10-1. Steps have been
Sirár        244        *515       86       7         974         Talegaon, Dhamdhera.             651       651       661													taken to recover the money and the municipality have been ill-
Sirár        244        *515       86       7        22       874         Talegaon, Dhamdhera.            651       651		~								-	Plants build-seaph		advised enough to attempt to levy the amount from Govind Vithal
Talegaon, Dhamdhera 651 T		26	Sirár	244	8 8	*515	98	1~		•	61 61	874	at the rate of Re. 1 per month.  *Of this sum Rs. 23 are stated to
Talegaon, Dhamanera.		Ē	יני יני							agenerate garageneral de Sand	13	651	to be written off.  This balance was outstanding on
		Ž.	Talegaon, Dhamdhera.	•	•	:	:	•	•	:	100	100	account of the famine; the total

March 1880 was Rs. 680-10-6, out of which Rs. 368-11-6 have been recovered and the rest may be recovered in due course though a large amount will have to be written off as irrecoverable. The outstandings for the years 1871 @ 1878, Rs. 121, have remained uncollected owing to some of the owners of the	nouses being absent itom the village and others being unable to pay the tax. The amount for 1879 is being collected by issuing notices to the owners. The amount of house-tax is being collected by notices to the defaulters. The amount, Rs. 1,233, comprises the pilgrim-tax for 1870-71, which was farmed to two persons who afterwards failed to pay. It is	now being collected by remedy in the Civil Court. The defaulter cannot be found.		Due to the poverty and consequent inability of the tax-	payers to pay.  Of the house-tax amount Rs. 1,847 have since been collected; out of the nest Re 9 000 is on	amount due to the dilapidated condition of houses and absence of householders. It is being cleared off by remission, &c., on the return of absentees. Of the amount for market-rent Rs. 339, being 4th instalment, fell due on the 1st April 1880, and could not have been collected before. Of the balance Rs. 335 have since been recovered and the rest is due to the insolvency of the payers.
950	1,245	F	26,893	41	7,670	
:	1,233	:	2,032	11	336	
. :	:	:	:	•	•	
:	:	:	:	:	•	
:	<u>:</u>	F	8	:	:	
:	:	:	86	:	858	
;	:	:	13,582	:	:	
:	:	:	2,261	:	:	
950	12	:	8,924	:	6,176	
	-	:	Total	:	:	
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Khed	A'la	Lon		  Karád	Sátára	
64 80	29	30		31	32	
	CONTRACTOR		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			

				The second secon		BALANCE	BALANCES ON ACCOUNT OF	T OF				
District.	No.	Names of Muniopal Towns and Cities.	House-tax.	Wheel-	Halálkhor Cess.	Rent for Market.	Ground.	Interest levied on Earth and Stone Farms,	Cattle- tax, &c.	Miscella- neous,	Total.	Reasons assigned by the Commissioners.
			Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Bs.	$\mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{S}}$	
The second secon	ee C	Wái	:	:	624	:	į	:	:	75	669	Measures are being taken to realize the amount of halálkhor cess. The amount of Rs. 75
Sátára—contd <	88	Tásgaon	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	111	111	on account of octroi is due to the default of the contractor. The question of remitting the amount is under consideration. The amount is on account of tax on stamping cloth. A decree has been obtained against the defaulter, but as he has no pro-
	38	Pusesávli	:	:	÷	ಌ೦	:	:	:	•	ro	perty, the balance cannot be realized. The defaulters have absconded.
		Total	6,476	:	624	863	:	:	:	563	8,526	
Sholápur	38	Sholápur City Bársi Town	: :		3,900	::	! :	::	::	3,251	3,978 3,251	The contractor of octroi having failed to pay the amount a civil suit was brought against
	88	Pandharpur	:	:	:	:	6	:	:	:	:	him, and a decree obtained for the amount is in execution. The incumbent has absconded, and steps are being taken to recover the amount from tho surety.
		Total	:	78	3,900		6	:	:	3,251	7,238	,
		Grand Total •	. 33,726	2,339	22,012	949	17	:	:	38,376	1,07,419	

24. The following table shows the cash balances on hand at the close of 1879-80 in each municipality of the Division. The total amounts to Rs. 3,46,360-4-10, of which sum Rs. 1,68,623-8-9 stands to the credit of the Sholápur City Municipality alone. This amount includes Rs. 1,45,393-14-0, being the portion of the loan for water-works in progress and not yet expended. It will be noted that the balances according to this statement do not agree with those ascertainable from the statement embodied in my 6th para., the reason of which is that the latter does not include all municipal income but only such as is derived from direct and indirect taxation:—

District	No.	Name of Municipalities.	Balance on hand on 31st March 1880.	District	No.	Name of Municipalities.	Balance on hand on .1-t March 1880.
Ahmed- nagar,	$\begin{matrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{matrix}$	Ahmednagar City Bhingar Sangamner	Rs. a. p.  808 9 7 795 4 1 4,482 8 0		28 29 30 31 32	Poona City Indapur Bárámati Sasvad	Rs. a. p.  33,589 9 5  75 9 9  5,236 3 1  17 5 4
		Total	6,086 5 8	Poona,	32 33 34 35 36 37 38	Jejuii Srrûr Talegaon, Dhamdhera Talegaon, Dabháda Khed	199 6 4 1,682 11 6 24 7 0 2,057 8 7 597 9 6 351 13 2 1,774 1 9 408 5 6
Khándesh,	4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20	Jalgaon Varangaon Erandol Dharangaon Amalner Parola Bhadgaon Maheji Songir Prakásha Shahada Nandurbár Taloda Dhulia Sindkheda Betívad Shipur	3,728 10 10 984 3 8 1,433 15 4 2,083 8 2 496 2 8 5,886 6 4 1,086 2 11 753 0 10 4,027 1 2 1,061 15 3 4,000 1 10 1,686 10 5 3,279 14 2 19,701 6 4 640 1 9 332 5 6 2,929 2 0	Satéra.	40 41 42 43 44 46 47 48 49 50 51	Karád Vita Sátára Rahimatpur Wai Málcolm Peth Islampur Tásgaon Ashta Puscsávli Míyni Mhasvad	3,656 0 11 674 8 11 12,752 13 6 313 8 0 1,147 12 2 323 6 9 1,100 10 3 1,110 3 9 455 14 7 105 1 1 581 11 6 2,048 15 9
	21	Total	1,595 0 3 		52	Shingnapur Total	1,503 9 6 
Násik.	22 23 24 25 26 27	Násik	10,291 7 9 587 10 4 738 9 10 1,402 11 1 1,580 12 5 1,796 12 4	Sholápur	53 54 55 56 57	Sholápur City Bársi Karmála Pandharpur Sángola	1,68.623 S 9 4,643 10 1 1,324 1 8 20,579 2 7 915 11 4
		Total	16,397 15 9			Grand Total	3,46,360 4 10

<sup>25.</sup> The following table exhibits the loans taken by municipalities in this Division. The Sholápur Municipality negotiated during the year with the sanction of Government for a loan of Rs. 1,93,894 in the open market, the object of the loan being to secure a good supply of pure drinking water for the inhabitants of the town. The loan, which was taken up at 7 per cent. interest, readily found favour with investors. In addition to this loan the municipality borrowed Rs. 15,000 from Government for expenditure on Famine Relief, part of which only has been repaid. The Sátára Municipality has made application for a large loan of Rs. 3,00,000 to be obtained in the open market in connection with a scheme for supplying water for the town of Sátára. This loan has just been sanctioned by Government:—

Name of Municipal Town.		   Name of Creditor	Rate of Interest per cent. per annum.	Amount borrowed.	Amount paid.	Balance due.	Date of final liquidation.		
Ahmednagar Sangamner Jalgaon Yeola Indapur			Do. Do.		4.4.4.4.4.4.4.4.4.4.4.4.4.4.4.4.4.4.4.	Rs. 12,000 6,000 65,000 9,000 5,000	Rs.  9,000 300 6,000 2,500 4,641	Rs. 3,000 5,700 59,000 6,500 359	the street of th
Jejuri Rahimatpur			Do		$rac{4rac{1}{2}}{\dots}$	1,000 3,000	820 	180	Public Works Department.  This loan was borrowed in 1854-55, but the money was repaid in the year 1861.
Sátára Karád Islámpur Sholápui	•••	:::	Do	•••	··· ··· ··	6,191 8,784 2,000 15,000 1,93,894	6,000 	8,784 2,000 9,000 1,93,894	It is not stated from whence the loan was obtained. Will be repaid in 19 years in half yearly instalments of Rs. 5,000 each.

26. The following table supplies information regarding the length of roads within the limits of each municipality and where lamps are provided, and the number of such lamps:—

Made-roads and Lighting.

District.	Name of Munici	ipal Town.	Length of made- roads in miles.	Number of Lamps.	Average Number of Lamps per mile.	Remarks.
Ahmed nagar.		City	$\begin{array}{c} 16\\ 3\\ A \text{ little more than }\\ 1\frac{1}{4} \text{ miles.} \end{array}$	125 36 14	7·8 12 11·2	
	Jalgaon	•••	More than 3½ miles.	42	12	
	Varangaon		4 72117	None.	•••	
	Amalner	•••	4 75.17	Do.	•••	
	Párola	•••	A little more than $1\frac{3}{4}$ miles.	1	•5	
	Bhadgaon		A little more than $2\frac{1}{4}$ miles.	16	7.1	
A CONTRACTOR OF THE CONTRACTOR	Máheji		24 miles.	25		No made-roads. The number of lamps shown here was at the last fair.
sh.	Dharangaon	•••	A little more than $6\frac{3}{4}$ miles.	••		Unit Ind Land
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	Chopda		4 7000	26	17.3	
į	Shirpur		NT " 3 4 "7	. 46	11.5	
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	Dhulia.	•••		. 60	3.7	E TOUTHOUSE & TOPOTO
	Songir   Taloda	***	37 7 7 7	e 20 8	80 5·3	
	Prakásha	*** **	44 "	0	4	
	Sháháda	*** ,.	1 -	30		No made-roads.
	Nandurbár	***	Nearly 1 mile	00	29	

District.	Name of Municipal Town.	Length of made- roads in miles.	No. of Lamps.	Average No. of Lamps per mile.	Remarks.
Násik.	Málegaon Igatpuri Sinnar Trimbak Yeola	Do. 5 do  Do. 1\frac{3}{4} do  Do. 2\frac{1}{2} do  Do. \frac{3}{4} of a mile.  A little more than 2 miles	215 60  	10·23 12 	Besides these there are 14 lanterns at each Octroi Municipal Náka.
Роопа.	Poona City Indápur Sárámati Sásvad Sirúr Talegaon, Dhamdhera Junnar Talegaon, Dábháda Khed A'landi Lonávli	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	460 40 25 25 75 12	10 22:85 11·1 7·14 16·6 2·5 	
Sholápur.	Sholápur City Bársi Karmála Pandharpur Sángola	5 do	394 70 25 132 21	24·75 14 4·5 12·5 7·	
Sátára.	Sátára Rahimatpur Wái Karád Vita Islámpur Tásgaon Ashta Pusesávli Máyni Mhasvad Shingnápur Mahábaleshvar	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	5	11·7  1·8     4·3  1·2  5·6  10 9  1·5  1	The roads are lighted, but the number of lamps is not stated in the Vice-Presi- dent's report.
	Total .	$335\frac{1}{4}$ miles.	2,278	6.7	

<sup>27.</sup> The chief wants in most of the municipalities of the Division appear to be a good supply of drinking water and public latrines. Drainage, markets, dispensaries are also required in not a few of the municipalities. The means at the disposal of the Commissioners do not admit of much being done at a time, but it is very desirable that the first two requirements should in every case be first met. At present something is being done in Sholápur for the improvement of its water-supply. In Sátára a large scheme has been considered, and sanction has been accorded to raising a loan of Rs. 3,00,000. In Yeola of the Násik District the want of pure drinking water has been felt for several years past, and should the loan applied for by the municipality be sanctioned, funds will be forthcoming for meeting this want. Although Ahmednagar already receives in seasons of

good rain-fall a fair supply of water, it is in unfavourable years not sufficient for the inhabitants of the town and cantonment, and a scheme is in contemplation for increasing the supply, towards carrying out which Government aid may have to be given. Lake Fife has met the wants of the inhabitants of the Poona City in this matter, and the chief requirements of that city are a good system of drainage both for sewage and storm waters, and a market worthy of the name. There are also other pressing requirements which should be attended to as funds admit.

- 28. The disposal of the night-soil and refuse in the larger city municipalities and towns is now being carefully attended to, though the methods adopted vary. Poona, Sholapur and Nasik convert the night-soil with the aid of the street-sweepings into poudrette, which is largely used as manure by the cultivators, and therefore obtains a ready sale. In Ahmednagar the town sewage is sold without undergoing special preparation beyond burying for a time, and yields, it is said, a sum that is likely soon to represent the cost of the establishment maintained for its removal. This is also the plan adopted in Sátára. It takes a long time for cultivators to become accustomed to the use of this manure. The question of converting night-soil and town-refuse into manure is however very important. The system is gradually spreading, and, if properly attended to, will no doubt add considerably to the income of municipalities. It is in those towns where there is much irrigated land in the neighbourhood that this description of manure comes most quickly into favour and demand.
- 29. The following table shows the number of municipal prosecutions instituted in the several municipalities of the Division. The total number of cases is 1,792, in 1,679 of which punishments were awarded. The average per municipality is 31 cases. The largest number appears against Sholápur City where the management of municipal affairs seems to be rigorously carried out. Sátára, considering its size, has very few cases. The number of cases in Poona City seems fair and not very excessive. In the Khándesh District and in some of the Násik municipalities due attention seems to be paid to this matter. If by the presence of criminal prosecutions the temper of the population in matters of sanitation is to be judged, then Sátára, as a whole, may well be congratulated, and so also may some of the smaller municipalities in the Poona District:—

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30. The following statement shows the number of births and deaths for the year 1878-79 and 1879-80 in those of the municipalities of the Central Division, Khándosh excepted, for which the information has been supplied. For the municipalities in Khándesh the particulars are wanting in the report of the Collector and President. The registration of births and deaths is at present undertaken by some of the municipalities only, and in those in which the registers are not kept by the municipalities, the information is supplied from the village registers. This is a duty which should be generally undertaken by all municipalities, though in one at least of those in which it is so performed, I regret, I did not find that attention paid to it which is necessary to secure accurate results. Owing to the incompleteness of the statement I am unable to draw any general conclusions; but if the registers are in every case correct, they go to show that while in some of the municipalities—Poona for instance—the number of deaths considerably exceeds the number of births in the year, in others the reverse is found to be the case:—

Statement showing the Number of Births and Deaths in the Municipalities of the Central Division for the years 1878-79 and 1879-80.

-		0011011000	No. of	Births,	No. of	DEATHS.	
District.	No.	Name of Municipality.	1878-79.	1879-80.	1878-79.	1879-80.	Remarks.
Ahmednagar.	1 2 3	Ahmednagar City Bhingár Town Sangamner Totul	344 80 242 666	570 84 238 892	1,956 126 293 2,375	1,048 126 112 1,286	
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Sholápur.	35 36 37 38 39	Sholápur City Báisi Town Karmála Town  Pandharpur Town Sángola  Total	607 204  243 45	496 212  214 34 956	4,368 1,057  1,254 259 6,938	1,982 755  514 193	This register is now being kept from the commencement of the year 1850-51.

In the course of my last tour, I examined the accounts and proceed-

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 Pandharpur. 2. Satára. 3 Karád. 9. Lonávli. 10. Sholápur. 4. Islimpur. Sasvad.

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and the defects and irregularities discovered have communicated to the Presidents been duly concerned. The sanitary condition of the towns 11. Báisi. was found on the whole to be satisfactory, and 12. Karmála, where improvements suggested themselves as 13. Ahmednagar.

desirable, the same have been communicated to

ings of the municipalities named in the margin,

the Presidents for attention by the Commissioners. I would observe that the municipal town of Lonávli in the Poona District was a marked exception, as I found it on inspection to be in a most filthy state. Cesspools were here and there allowed to flow on to the streets, and heaps of rubbish were noticed in close proximity to dwellings. In some places cattle were tied up right in the middle of the road. It was clear on the whole that the town was very indifferently looked after. This matter has been duly brought to the notice of the Collector and President,

- The chief want I found in most instances to be sufficient latrine accommodation and good systems of water-supply and drainage. Here and there the irregularity and narrowness of the streets by which free ventilation is obstructed also attracted attention. In Sirúr of the Poona District the unsatistactory state of the outstanding balances, which had also attracted the attention of the President and had led to the removal from office of the Secretary, was duly noticed, and it is hoped that improvement will follow on the steps taken. In Indapur the birth and death registers which are kept by the village officers were found to be prepared in a careless and irregular manner, and it has been suggested that the municipality should undertake the duty of keeping these registers. In some portions of the town of Sátára there is a want of sufficient latrine accommodation; and at Wái in the Sátára District, the impurity of the well-water in the town appeared to me to be due to the large number of cesspools, the removal of which and the substitution for them of public latrines has been pressed on the attention of the Commissioners. In Karád it was found that the streets in some places needed widening in order to afford better ventilation. points the attention of the Presidents has been drawn with a view to their being remedied as opportunities offer.
- I regret that I have not been able to make this report as complete as I intended, owing to information on all points not having been supplied for some of the municipalities, particularly those in the Khandesh District. I hope I may be able to present my next report in a more complete shape. One of the matters I was desirous of recording was the amount and value of the real property in possession of each municipality, but the information received up to date on this head is neither complete nor satisfactory. It is a matter, however, to which I shall draw the attention of the Presidents of the municipa-To be of real value such a statement must be carefully and accurately prepared so as to serve as a record for future reference, and this will be duly impressed on the Collectors and Presidents.

- 34. Much of the Central Division has just passed through a severe crisis in connection with the famine, and, as far as was practicable, the municipalities gave their share of help towards mitigating distress. Indápur in the Poona District, and Sholápur and Ahmednagar cities were most prominent in according all the assistance they could, and I am glad to note that the services of the prominent members of both the Indápur and Ahmednagar Municipalities have been duly recognized by the bestowal on them of honorary titles of distinction, which, no doubt, will lead to such services being generally emulated.
- 35. It is, I consider, desirable that this Annual Municipal Administration Report should be circulated in all municipalities, and it should be submitted to Government, printed. This could be accomplished if each municipality contributed according to its income its share towards the printing charges. It would, therefore, be well if Government were to pass an order that this course should be adopted.

I have the honour to be,

Sır,

Your most obedient Servant,

E. P. ROBERTSON,

Commissioner, C. D.

No.  $\frac{P}{1.91}$  of 1880.

FROM

ARTHUR CRAWFORD, Esq., Commissioner, S. D.,

To

J. NUGENT, Esq., Secretary to Government,

Genera! Department.

Poona, 13th September 1880.

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I have the honour to submit reports from the different Districts of the Southern Division on the administration of the several Municipalities therein during the past year.

- 2. I experienced considerable difficulty in tracing the history of each Municipality and ascertaining its precise position and future wants; and accordingly, in the course of the year, I issued the following circular to the Collectors and Presidents, which sufficiently explains itself:—
- "SIR,—Of late years, partly owing to the famine which more or less dislowcated Municipal arrangements, and partly owing to changes in the octroi tariff and in the mode of levy of that impost, the reports on the various Municipalities have become somewhat desultory, so that it is not easy, especially in a new division like this, to review systematically Municipal progress in the various districts.
- "2. It appears to me, moreover, that with the simultaneous re-organization of the Sanitary Department and the radical enanges which the Government of India's Octroi Bill must bring about, a moment has arrived when there should be a review of the past history, the progress and present position of each Municipality, and a scheme prepared to provide gradually for the Municipal wants of each town as means may become available.
- "3 I propose therefore that such review shall take place in your next Annual Municipal Administration Report, which, I take the opportunity of reminding you, is due on the 15th July, and should be punctually submitted.
- "4. To secure uniformity, so far as uniformity is possible, and for facility in future references, I have drawn up and now append a kind of skeleton report which you ought to have no difficulty in filling up with the aid of your Assistants and the various Municipal Committees.
- "5. I look confidently to you to see that accuracy is insisted upon in the "figures furnished, and that the sketch of the present condition and most pressing "wants of the town shall be carefully and intelligently drawn up.
- "6. Copies of this letter and Appendix are forwarded for distribution to your Assistants and Municipal Committees.

#### "SKELETON MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION REPORT.

- "Chapter Reviewing Past Administration.
- "I.—State the date of establishment of the Municipality.
- "II.—State population within Municipal limits.
- "III.—State gross income of the Municipality from all sources from date of establishment to end of year of report under heads—
  - " (a) Direct Taxation.
  - " (b) Indirect Taxation.
  - "(c) Miscellaneous.

- "Here give incidence of taxation (per head), direct and indirect, and miscellaneous.
- "IV.—State gross expenditure in same period on—
  - "(a) Establishment and Contingencies (Office, Collection, &c.)
  - "(b) Sanitary Establishments (Vaccination, Scavenging, &c., &c.)
  - "(c) Public Works, Sanitary. This will include Latrines, Markets, Dispensaries.
  - "(d) Public Works, General, Roads, Dharmshálas, Wells, Lighting, Road-watering, &c.
  - "(e) Repairs—(1) Roads, (2) Buildings.
  - "(f) Education.
  - "V.—If there be any loans, give a brief summary regarding them.
- "VI.—If the Municipality pessesses real property, enumerate the same and state income annually derivable therefrom.
- "VII.—Chapter describing the town and reviewing its present condition.
- "VIII .- Water-supply-whonce supplied; give full details.

## "IX.—Sanitary—

- "(a) Describe mode of conservancy, removal of garbage and street sweepings, and mode and place of disposal. Give strength and cost of scavenging establishment in men, cattle, and plant.
- "(b) Disposal of night-soil. State if there are public latrines, their number, how managed and maintained, strength of sweepers, mode and place of disposal of night-soil.
- "(c) Describe mode of registering births and deaths and cost thereof.
- "(d) State if any and what vaccination establishment is entertained.
- "(e) Describe Markets, Public-Private.

## "X.-Works, General-

- "(a) Roads, state length of.
- "(b) Number and kind of lights thereon and annual cost.
- "(c) Give a list of Municipal buildings and state annual cost of repairs.
- "(d) State if roads are watered and at what cost.

#### "X1.—Education.

"Give number of schools of all kinds and attendance, and state the contributions, if any, by the Municipalities.

#### "XII.—Municipal wants.

"Give a brief summary of, and describe the most pressing Municipal wants of the town in the order of their importance, and state what steps, if any, have been taken to supply them, and mention approximately the estimated cost in each case.

#### "XIII.—Future Funds.

- "State the average balance now available after payment of all fixed and recurring charges.
- "XIV.—Estimate the future income after a strict application of the Government of India's Town Duties Bill.
- "XV.—State how any loss in the income can best be supplemented, or what fresh direct taxation may be possible."
- 3. I am hopeful that the reports for the present year in the form I have prescribed will be of great service for future reference. Certain further details have

also been called for subsequently relating to the real property of the various Municipalities, their outstanding balances, Municipal prosecutions, &c., &c., which will be duly noticed hereafter.

- 4. The following statement shows the number of Municipalities as 30 against 27 in last year. Of these two are temporary, that is to say, they are established periodically on the occurrence of certain fairs at Ulvi in Kánara and Yellama in Belgaum. The new Municipalities are Byádgi, Hángal, and Háveri, all in Dhárwár. A Town Municipality was also established for Dápoli in the Ratnágiri District, but not having commenced operations in the year under report it is omitted from the list.
- 5. The 30 Municipalities during the past year controlled a population of \$36,798 persons, from whom they realized a gross income of Rs. 2,83,982-5-2½, or 13½ annas per head only, while they expended a trifle less than their income, viz., Rs. 2,83,978-7-1:—

Di - trict.	Nuia-	Name of Municipal Town.	Population is per Consus of 1872.	Gross Annu il Incomo, 1579-80.	Gioss Expendi- ture, 1879-80.	Remarks.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	1	Vengurla	, 9,000	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	'Excluding that of Ubha-
Katn 1 111	22 33 4	R jam Rahe ni Carptan	8,207 15 000 5,780	1 38,232 7 9 1 092 7 9 53 617 12 7	‡ 36,878 5 6 1,018 12 11	dinda, which is not within the Municipal limits, † The statement prescribed by the Government of India includes, besides
# Applications and		Total for Katnagiri	40,987	88,020 0 8	818-0 6 3	Re 5,762-11-9 entered in the report, Rs. 15,000 on account of Loan, and Rs.
Diam it	567.690.011.12	District Halli Call Betress Revelund Notes 1 1 disc	27,136 37,961 19,07 9,91 6,201 4,00 11,62,5 3,455	20 511 8 5 31 (4: 14 9 12 20 7 0 5,556 5 10 2 901 0 0 3,541 2 0 352 5 9 5,251 1 6 1,77 , 8	3 071 15 6 16 075 3 8 7 157 1 8 3,19 0 0 1 949 2 3 305 5 7 5 4 12 1 0	14,109-12-) on a court of cost of articles uljusted. The confines include, besides the items given in the last of the report, Rs. 15,000 on account of the Loan, Rs. 14,469-12-0 on account of the least of the last of the la
	· ——	Tocal for Dharwar	131 920	5 ,515 ( 4	100 + 7 2 75	calculation that the time the first of the transfer of the tra
K mare	16 17 15	Kuwia Kumei Cokum Susi Hiliyal Uivi (temporay)	13,25 ; 10 9 ;2 3,707 5,255 5,071 8,000	10 105 15 5 9 080 2 8 1 1,51 11 1 9,07 9 4 4,992 2 4 705 1 0	9 32 5 10 11 345 10 9 043 10 3 5 00 1 8 5 4 551 12 3 548 10 10	Number of persons as
	i !	Total for Kanara	46,278	37,955 12 10	34,785 9 7	sembled at the Jatia
Kalıdın	20 21 22 23	Bu pur	14,002 6,592 12,938 10,107	6,714 11 7 2,949 11 8 2,730 2 7 5,361 14 11	7,404 15 5 2,903 3 10 2,430 13 4 6,130 9 7	
		Total for Kalidgi	43,639	17,756 8 9	18,869 10 2	
Belgaum.	24 25 26 27 28 29 30	Belgaum Yamkanmardi Nipini Saundatti (vokák Yellama (temporary) Athni	26,947 5,296 9,371 8,180 12,612 11,588	28,481 11 5 759 0 0 7,656 10 0 1,692 9 0 6,190 6 3 2,849 6 04 8,774 13 11	22,995 12 8 781 13 7 3,938 11 0 1,636 11 7 4,779 2 0 1,941 14 14 8,928 9 6	
, a particular de la constantina de la constantina de la constantina de la constantina de la constantina de la		Total for Belgaum GRAND TOTAL	73,994 336,798	56,404 8 73 2,83,982 5 23		

#### Constitution of the Municipal Committees.

6. The constitution of the Committees of the several Municipalities, as compared with last year, was as follows:—

Year.				Total Number of Members	Europeans.	Natives.	Officials.	Non-Officials
1878-79 1879-80		***		410 457	66 71	311 386	150 159	260 298
More		•••	••	17	5	12	9	38
Less	•••	•••	••		•••			

There was thus an increase of 17 in the total number of Municipal Commissioners. The number of European Commissioners shows a slight increase over the figures of 1578-79, being 71 against 66. The number of Nature Commissioners has also increased from 344 to 386. The proportion of non-official Commissioners has unproved by 2 per cent., being 65 against 63 last year.

- 7. Only persons of more or less education can be expected to take an intelligent increat in Municipal affairs, and to conduct them with real and to t. The best men, he ever, as a rule, are attracted by Government service; and in outlying districts other good men are not easily obtainable. Nevertheless the number of non-official members is nearly double that of the officials. This is a proportion that should secure independent criticism and a thorough representation of public opinion.
- S. The following statement shows the date of the establishment of each Municipality. It appears that during their existence, which ranges from 1 to 15 years, the Municipalities have collected a gross sum of Rs. 20.11,132-4-01, or Rs. 7-5-101 er head of the population concerned, of which Rs. 6,35,035-11-1, or 25 per cont. of the whole, was from Direct, and Rs. 14,36,649-0-111, or 56 per cent., he as from Indirect taxation, Rs. 4,71,547-8-81, or 19 per cent., being made up of other or Miscellaneous receipts.
- Of the gross sum of Rs. 25,14,132-4-9½ received, they have expended Rs. 25,10,066-5-10, and there should therefore be a gross balance of Rs. 51,065-11-11.
- establishments and contingencies, which is an unduly large proportion. To Sanitary Establishment, on the other hand, has only cost Rs. 1,90,887-10-4, or 20 per cert. of the total expenditure. Public Works, Sanitary, have absorbed the rather small proportion of 16 per cent., or Rs. 4,10,295-4-10½; other public works, which include lighting, account for Rs. 7,51,159-14-3, or 30 per cent Repairs, which include road repairs, is a heavy item, Rs. 2,58,109-11-7, or 10 per cent. The very small sum of Rs. 72,351-2-1, or barely 3 per cent., has been contributed towards education:—

programme programme and the second				Gros	S INCOME FROM DA	TE OF ESTABLISHM	ENT.
District	Num- ber	Name of Municipal Toyn.	Date of Establish- ment.	Direct Taxation.	Indirect Taxation.	Miscellaneous.	Total.
				<b>R</b> s. a. p,	Ra. a. p.	Rs. a. p	Rs. a. p.
atua 3171	1 2 3 4	Vengurls . Rejeour Ketr giri Chiplan	1st May 1976 . 1st April 1876 1st ,, 1876 16th December 1876.	6,759 11 3 4,248 10 6 1,868 6 8 3,506 4 4	42,507 8 5 16,801 11 4 1,553 12 8½ 13,559 9 0	2,767 9 4 3,415 8 6 422 3 3 27,547 4 11	52,033 13 0 *24,465 14 4 3,844 6 7½ 44,703 2 3
			Total	16,442 0 9	74,452 9 5½	34,152 10 0	1,25,047 4 2
harwur .		Dhawar flubb ( ala B tacri Nord and Nagard I yala Hagal Ranebonnut Hwon	1st fanuary 1856 31st July 1855 1st May 1859 194 December 1870 20th January 1871 16th Sept 1879 1st January 1855 1ith Sept, 1879	1,91,954 0 0 1,20,004 0 6 57,262 7 6 11,405 12 0 10,547 4 0 272 8 0 155 0 0 17,473 0 10	17,601 0 0 2,47,277 5 7 78,557 5 11 30,420 7 11 22,727 0 5 3,540 12 0 215 8 3 24,179 1 3 1,768 9 8	20,793 0 0 1,12,617 0 10 68,282 13 11 11,010 1 23 5,512 9 72 35 14 9 8 13 6 4,358 8 5 3 0 0	2,30,348 0 0 4,79,988 6 11 2,04,132 11 4 52,926 5 11 38,786 14 0 3,849 2 9 382 5 9 46,010 10 6 1,771 9 8
			T )tal	4,09,257 0 10	4,26,317 3 0	2,22,621 14 3	10,58,196 2 1
/anara	14 15 16 17 15 19	Kavar Kunts G kua Susi Hai I Ulvi	30th June 1864 31 t July 1867 18 April 1870 14 July 1866 2 h Mach 1865 January 1878	32,927 13 8 32,027 6 1 6,725 0 7 20 049 5 8 19,826 3 2	73,403 9 6 85,817 15 4 12,471 6 9 68 577 5 5 25,093 3 0	49,642 3 6 3,344 2 3 2,128 5 6 7,117 9 5 11,035 14 4	1,55,973 10 8 1,21,189 7 8 21,327 12 10 95,742 4 6 58,955 4 6
	- Additional		Total	1,11,558 13 2	2,68,361 8 0	73,268 3 0	4,53,188 8 2
ילן נוכי	20 21 1-2 (2,	Branct Kl High His	la. Mr. 1865 l t   pt 1867 7t i in 1854 ls 11. n 1868	3 905 7 5 3,029 10 0	99,287 5 3 25,195 10 33 44,089 5 8 50,698 10 6	12 27) 8 2 4 152 6 8 6 591 2 4 19,525 3 4	1,11,540 13 5 36,453 8 4; 54,010 5 0 79,223 13 10
			71	7,255 1 5	2 21 27. 2 5	4_ 722 1 6	2,81,228 8 7
tačdik.	2   21   25   25   20   50		t)	50 794 11 5 5 155 11 3 5,099 8 2 3 502 14 6 12 517 8 5 4 354 15 11 6,634 4 9	1	55 256 12 03 334 4 05 2,374 6 4 325 9 51 16,451 10 9 475 11 61 23,531 2 10	12,152 15 8 83,925 14 11 7,687 8 0 84 751 12 3
			Total .	91,442 10 11	4,36,216 9 9	98,782 8 114	6,26,471 13 8
			GRAND TOTAL .	6,35,935 11 1	14,36,649 0 11	4,71,547 8 81	25,44,132 4 9

\*These figures do not include the amount of loan (Rs 15,000)

† This properly belongs to

‡ See note on Column 6

|| The history of this Municipality

§ Rs. 6,240-5-9 on account of sweepers and carts (Sanitary Establishment proper),

#### GROSS EXPENDITURE FROM DATE OF ESTABLISHMENT.

Establishment and Contin- gencies.	Sanitary Establishment.	Public Works (Sanitary.)	Public Works (General.)	Repairs	Education.	Miscellaneous.	Total.
Rs. a. p. 5,443 6 8 5,081 13 10 837 3 71 6,343 15 7	Rs. a. p.  3,202 3 5 1,332 0 0 478 11 3 2,358 14 7	Rs. a. p.  25,426 11 1 3,153 10 0 121 1 9 28,904 15 2	Rs. a. p.  8,221 6 11 10,067 0 2 1,626 3 0 2,453 1 7	Rs. a. p.  1,249 0 0 643 3 11 35 15 2 1,809 0 0	Rs. a. p.  240 0 0 280 0 0 1,111 13 9	Rs. a. p. 5,612 5 11	Rs. a. p.  49,395 2 0  ‡20,557 11 11  3,099 2 9  42,981 12 8
17,706 7 83	7,371 13 3	57,606 6 0	22,367 11 8	3,737 3 1	1,631 13 9	5,612 5 11	1,16,033 13 41/3
31,794 0 0 54,165 4 7 27,844 7 3 14,350 9 7 11,458 0 5 660 7 4 269 12 9	56,012 0 0 89,192 6 5 17,752 5 2 \$ 5,354 5 6 288 10 11 98 8 10	25,721 0 0 93,496 2 3 36,903 8 91 1,149 13 5 85 10 5	1,24,288 0 0 88,632 7 7 75,778 12 6½ 24,132 4 4 16,134 4 5½ 	31,375 0 0 25,667 5 1 13,772 5 6 4,926 8 11 4,308 8 4	1,417 0 0 13,285 0 0 5,174 2 4 100 0 0	1,09,150 12 7 25,666 3 11 3,087 5 10	2,73,637 0 0 4,75,569 6 6 2,02,891 13 6 47,656 9 3} 37,553 13 1} 919 2 3 368 5 7
10,351 12 7 467 2 4	9,818 11 10 249 6 5	73 9 6	12,932 0 5 21 8 0	8,871 10 9 5 10 0		1,527 0 10	43,574 13 11 743 10 9
1,51,391 8 10	1,78,766 7 1	1,57,432 12 4½	3,41,919 5 4	95,006 15 9½	20,006 2 4	1,38,431 7 2	10,82,954 10 11
14,176 8 7 18,798 13 0 5,862 6 11 28,095 11 2 14,260 13 11	48,424 3 6 6,407 15 9 2,259 13 9 16,066 10 7 6,797 10 1	9,235 6 6 47,645 7 0 +172 1 5 11,508 0 4 5,367 11 8	54,659 14 1 25,442 15 3 5,818 15 4 19,333 4 4 19,600 13 2	10,3% 7 0 7,723 3 8 2,010 13 10 9,683 9 4 6,361 7 7	3,797 13 11 14,960 7 6  6,458 3 0 4,156 10 8	16,652 2 4 3,301 2 8  	1,57,324 7 11 1,23,975 14 2 19,435 5 11 91,445 6 3 56,545 3 1
81,194 5 7	79,986 5 8	74,228 10 11	1,27,855 14 2	36,167 9 5	29,363 3 1	19,953 5 0	4,48,749 5 10
13,102 15 3 7,248 0 9 5,440 0 1 7,069 13 1	21,369 12 10 12,660 15 4 9,439 1 6 31,611 13 6	21,168 11 2 707 1 3 869 0 10 3,909 1 7	44,001 12 6 10,022 5 9 13,558 3 8 17,611 6 7	5,883 11 5 4,672 9 9! 17,295 1 10 4,882 3 2	700 0 0 3,937 10 6 1,276 4 5	5,789 1 6	1,09,225 15 2 35,311 0 10½ 53,589 2 5 72,349 11 10
35,860 13 2	75,080 11 2	26,653 14 10	85,423 12 6	35,733 10 21	5,933 14 11	5,789 1 6	2,70,475 14 3½
26,429 15 57 3,056 10 5 9,466 11 61 2,370 0 6 11,180 9 7 749 5 8 11,965 5 2	75,747 11 3½ 3,992 3 9 16,203 15 10½ 1,518 9 3 26,562 2 3 240 13 1 24,826 13 8	51,091 0 1 496 14 10 622 6 0 18,128 3 11 215 0 0 23,819 15 11	83,731 0 4½ 2,613 2 93 28,642 15 0 325 6 1 12,516 10 4 147 5 2 45,616 8 10	53,692 10 4½ 2,197 10 4 11 771 12 5 1,951 5 5 6,790 11 5 1,252 3 5½ 10,104 15 8	3,012 3 11 240 0 0 4,319 4 0 70 0 0 1,011 4 4 6,763 3 9	275 14 1 5,525 11 5	2,93,704 9 6 12,089 11 3½ 70,901 9 8 7,439 11 4 82,015 5 3 2,604 11 4½ 1,23,096 15 0
65,218 10 4	1,49,682 5 2	94,373 8 9	1,73,593 2 7	\$7,76 <del>1</del> 5 1	15,416 0 0	5,804 9 6	5,91,852 9 5
3,51,371 13 71	4,90,887 10 4	4,10,295 4 10½	7,51,159 14 3	2,58,409 11 7	72,351 2 1	1,75,590 13 1	25,10,066 5 10

and cost of articles adjusted (Rs. 14,462-12-0).
Sanitary Establishment,
in Statement at page 3.
has not been given
erroneously included under the head Establishment by the Vice-President

## Income for the past year.

9. The following table shows the income derived by each Municipality from indirect taxation, such as octroi, direct taxation, such as house-tax, water-rate, halálkhor-cess, and miscellaneous, which last includes contributions or donations by townspeople for special public improvements.

The percentage of taxation per head under each kind of taxation in each town is also shown.

It appears that the gross Municipal taxation was last year Rs. 1,84,105-13-7, or only annas 8.7 per head of the population.

Direct taxation amounted to the very low figure of Rs. 0-2-7 per head, while indirect taxation amounted to 6 as. 2 p. per head.

It is sufficiently plain that it is to direct taxation that the Municipalities should look for future addition to their income, and that Municipal taxation generally cannot be condemned as burdensome:—

	District.	Ratnágiri.		Dhárwár,		Kanara.		Kaladgi.		Belgaum.		1
	No.	- an4		5 7 8 9 9 11 12 13		15 15 17 19 19		22 22 23 23 24 25		24 25 27 27 28 29 80		
	Name of Municipal Town,	Vengurla Rajápur Ratnágiri Chiplán	Total	Dhárwár Hubii Gadag-Betgeri Navalgund Navalgund Byádgi Hfungal Ráhobennur Háveri	Total	Karw Kum Goka Sirsi Haliy Ulvi	Total	Bága Kalá Bijáp Ilkal	Total	Belgaum Yamkanmardi Nipáni Saundatti Gokák Yellama	Total	GRAND TOTAL
Population	as per Census of 1872.	9,000 8,207 15,000 8,780	40,987	27,136 37,961 19,035 9,578 9,931 6,931 4,990 11,623 5,465	131,920	10,3 10,3 10,3 10,3	46,258	14,002 6,592 12,938 10,107	43,630	26,947 5,296 9,371 8,180 12,612 ,588	1	336,798
	Indirect Taxation,	Rs. a. p. 8,985 2 3 4,262 15 8 4,266 8 0	17,514 9 11	8,605 9 9 12,453 12 11 5,837 2 0 5,837 2 0 1,828 10 10 9,540 12 0 3,171 0 4 1,768 9 8	40,491 9 2	110 110 120 121 121	20,489 6 4	5,820 2 10 1,902 5 6 1,700 15 0 2,758 2 2	12,181 9 6	19,403 0 4 732 14 6 7,447 3 5 4,104 6 3 6,364 5 6		1,29,469 3 5
INCOME FOR THE	Direct Taxation,	Rs. a. p. 3,937 9 11 8,236 10 6 787 12 0 2,482 1 2	10,444 1 7	8,890 2 4 7,895 13 0 5,335 5 5 2 1,246 8 0 737 0 0 1,625 8 0 1,626 0 0	26,189 11 4	888 818 819 867 867 867	9,878 13 0	581 4 0 945 2 0	1,526 6 0	3,231 14 9 891 8 0 2,474 3 6	6,597 10 3	54,636 10 2
в Уели 1879-80	Miscellancous.	Rs. a. p. 2.154 8 5 30,732 13 7 26,809 3 5	60,061 5 2	3,006 12 4 10 3,201 15 10 1,275 4 5 335 15 14 9 35 14 9 8 15 14 9 8 18 6 484 0 0	19,134 1 10	Ci-	6,617 9 6	894 8 9 466 2 2 84 1 7 2,603 12 9	4,018 9 3	5,846 12 9 26 1 6 20 1 6 7 60 1 6 7 2,086 0 0 375 2 63 2,410 8 5	11,014 13 103	99,876 7 73
	Total.	18, a, p, 15,077 4 7 38,232 7 9 1,092 7 9 83,617 12 7	88,020.08	20,511 8 5 31,041 14 9 14,520 7 0 5,901 0 6 3,849 2 9 5,281 1 8 5,281 1 8	85,815 6 4	10,108-15-5 9,080-12-8 1,491-12-18 9,607-19-4 7,05-4	35,985 12 10	6,714 11 7 2,849 11 8 2,730 2 7 5,361 14 11	17,756 8 9	28,481 11 5 759 0 0 7,656 10 0 1,692 9 0 6,190 6 3 2,849 6 03 8,774 13 11	56,404 8 7½	71,2,83,982 5 24
Іметреже	Indirect,	Ba. a. p. 1 0 0 0 8 4 0 7 9	0 6 10	00000000000000000000000000000000000000	0 2 0	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	0 7 1	0 0 0 0 0 8 1 1 4 1 4 1 4 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	0 4 5	0 11 6 0 22 2 0 12 3 0 15 3 0 6 2 2 0 6 2 3	0 8 5	0 6 2
FER HEAD OF	Direct.	Rs. a. p. 0 7 0 0 0 10 0 4 6	0 4 1	00000000 :	0 3 5	0 3 1 0 3 6 0 5 8 0 0 5 8 0 0 4 9	0 3 2	0 1 5	0 0 7	0 1 11 0 0 1 1 9 0 0 3 4	0 1 5	0 2 7
INCIDENCE PER HEAD OF MUNICIPAL TAXATION	Miscellancous	Ks. n. p. 0 3 9 3 11 11 0 4 9 9 1 0	1 7 5	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	0 2 4	0 3 3 0 0 0 7 0 0 0 0 1 7 0 0 0 0 1 7 0 0 0 0	0 1 11	0 1 0 0 1 1 0 0 1 0 4 1	0 1 6	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	0 2 4	0 4 9
PAXATION.	Total.	1. 2. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1.	2 2 4	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	0 10 6	0 13 2 0 13 3 0 13 3 1 13 1 0 15 9 0 1 5	0 12 6	0000	9 9 0	1 0 11 0 2 4 0 13 1 0 3 4 0 7 10 0 12 1	0 12 2	0 13 0

10. The Municipalities of Bágalkot and Ilkal have been induced during the past year to impose a house-tax, and I shall spare no effort to persuade all Municipalities to resort in future to direct rather than to indirect taxation.

11. The following table shows the receipts of the Municipalities under several heads in the year of report, as compared with those of the previous year:—

771		Recer	PTs.	
Heads.	1878-79.	1879-80.	More.	Less.
,	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
Octroi		1,16,108 7 5 39,135 10 6 2,827 2 8	5,320 7 5  485 2 2	1,769 6 0
carriages and other vehicles (excluding Tolls)	4,690 10 9 9,606 1 5 2,632 12 6 6,711 4 4 7,882 5 9 3,108 4 1 21,177 2 9½	5,032 10 8 10,400 9 2½ 4,163 0 9 6,542 14 1½ 10,160 3 8 2,721 11 0 48,571 13 0½	$ \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	 168 6 2½ 386 9 1
Payments for Municipal services rendered to individuals Grants-in-aid from Provincial or Local Funds	851 5 2	26,123 6 5 12,194 11 9	25,272 1 3	2,773 2 6
Total	2,25,662 14 0½		63,416 14 11½	5,097 7 93
		Deduct Net Increase	5,097 7 9½ 58,319 7 2	

The total Municipal revenue shows an increase of Rs. 58,319-7-2 over that of the preceding year or 26 per cent., the figures being Rs. 2,83,982-5-2½ against Rs. 2,25,662-14-0½. Of this increase, however, Rs. 6,003-2-2 represent the income of three new Municipalities of Byádgi, Hángal and Háveri. The largest increase appears under the head "Miscellaneous," but it includes a loan of Rs. 15,000 for Rájápur water-works which is not a recurring item of receipt, and Rs. 14,469-12-0 on account of mere adjustments in the accounts of the same Municipality. Similarly the receipts under the head "Payments for Municipal Services" include water-works contributions by private persons in Chiplún amounting to Rs. 24,902-0-5.

Octroi collections rose from Rs. 1,10,788 to Rs. 1,16,108, which is an increase of Rs. 5,320-7-5 or 5 per cent. If, however, the cost of collection is deducted from the receipts, the net increase over the last year is only Rs. 2,580-11-8. Among the remaining items of revenue there are only two which show any noticeable increase, viz., "Tolls" and rent of houses, gardens, markets, &c. Under the former there is an increase of Rs. 1,530-4-3, and under the latter of Rs. 2,277-13-11.

The increase in the receipts from Octroi and Tolls is due to the fact that the season was more favourable than the previous one.

The collections on account of the tax on houses and lands, which is one of the principal items of revenue, decreased by Rs. 1,769.

Grants-in-aid from Provincial and Local Funds were also less than last year by Rs. 2,773.

Classification of Expenditure for year of Report.

12. The following table classifies the total expenditure in the past year of Rs. 2,83,978-7-1 under the seven several heads:—

		Ks.	a.	р,
Establishment and Contingencies	• • • •	43,082	1	
Sanitary Establishments		55,088	. 1	10
Public Works (Sanitary)		69,298		$7\frac{1}{2}$
Public Works (General)		42,343	7	8
70	***	10,781		
management of	••	5,531	10	10
Miscellaneous	444	57,213	6	111

The details under each Municipality will be found in the following statement:—

Earn adition for 1879-56.

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									IIIVII I	0. 251 11111	The state of the s		} } }
District.	Mamber.		ne ci Man	Name of Manic pal Town.	Plit;	1 The brace of	4 - 1 - 1 - 1	1 cm (cm )	Public Way's (tecneral)	Repun	Lelucation	Other Items	Lotal.
Ratungiri.	H(100 4)	Veneula Réjque Ratn'gui Chiplun	: : <b>:</b> :	Total	0 00 0 5.05.7 15 00 0 5.75.0 40 0-5	R. a p 1415 1 11 1425 1 11 100 0 733 2 10	121 1. 1. 2. 2. 2. 2. 2. 2. 2. 2. 2. 2. 2. 2. 2.	Rs a p 7 1 11 2 17 110 1 1 2 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	B. a p 1,111 c 9 1,121 c 9 1,121 c 0	Rs. a P. 257 7 0 4 4	Bs. a. p. 55, 0 0 0 25, 0 0 0 378 3 7 455 3 7	Bs. a p. 55 12 6 31, 86 18 6 8 6 10 3, 653 6 10 5, 55, 571 1 5	Rs. a. p. 13,163 11 8 30,875 5 6 1,018 12 11 81,759 8 2
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\* Ocreet expenditure as entered in the statement prescribed by the Government of India. The total of the details 1 kg 8,239 9-9 only, and the Collector is requested to explain the difference of Rs. 638 15 9.

† Details about cost of repairs cannot be found out from the statements pres ribed by the Government of India.

It appears that Rs. 43,082-1-8, or 15 per cent. of the total expenditure, was on establisments and contingencies, a proportion which to my mind is excessive for mere clerks, collectors, peons, stationery and office rent.

For instance, the cost of establishments employed for the collection of Octroi Duties was Rs. 20,414-9-8, or about 18 per cent of the gross revenue, which is more than last year by 2 per cent.

13. In their Resolution No. 1556 of 1st June last (General Department),

Navalgund, Haliyál, Ránebennur, Yamkanmardi, Saundatti and Gadag. para. 6, Government invited particular attention to the high charges on account of special establishments in the Municipalities named in the margin. The following table shows the present and previous cost given in the

Resolution quoted, of collecting Octroi Duties in these Municipalities:-

Nan	ne of Munic	ıpalıty.	 Previous cost	of collection.	Present c	ost of collection.
Navalgund Haliyál Ránebennur Yamkanmardi Saundatti Gadag	•••		 65 per 59 51½ 36½ 31 32½	cent.	39 p 54 31 33 32 29	or cent.

It will be seen from the above that the proportionate cost of collection in each of these Municipalities has now been considerably reduced, notably in Ránebennur, which shows an improvement of above 23 per cent. No further reduction seems practicable, as the present establishments are kept at a minimum of strength and of cost, the salaries of kárkúns generally ranging from Rs. 4 to 6 only, which is far too low. The percentage in the case of Haliyál is, no doubt, very high; but owing to the situation of the town in an open country, with numerous outlets, the establishment cannot be reduced without risking an important portion of the Municipal revenue. Moreover, the same establishment is employed in collecting cart-tolls, &c. The Octroi Receipts in this Municipality for 1879-80 amounted to Rs. 1,400 and the Toll Receipts to about Rs. 1,239. And if the percentage is calculated on the total of these two sums, it will come to only 28, which is not excessive under the circumstances.

On the other hand, Sanitary Establishments, which include scavengers, cost only Rs. 55,088-1-10 or 19 per cent. of the total expenditure, which is far too small in proportion to a population of 336,798 souls, and a mileage of  $173\frac{3}{4}$  of roads to be cleansed.

The expenditure on Public Works (Sanitary) shows fairly well. This includes works for water-supply, on which Rs. 47,790 were spent, of which no less than Rs. 31,476 was in the Ratnágiri Municipalities.

Rs. 26,419 were expended on road construction and improvement which exibits a reasonable percentage.

Education received only Rs. 5,531-10-10, and 1 fear this sum can hardly be increased until more pressing wants have been supplied.

### Outstandings due.

14. The following table gives full details as to the outstandings due and uncollected at the close of the year:—

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	District,		Ratuk_iti .					Dhárwar		

The Municipality was established on 11th September 1579, and the work of assessing the house-rates continued till the 3rd February 1880. Rs 289-12-8 have since been collected.		Balances of house-tax are in course of collection. Somo defaultors are absent.  The Collector has issued in-	structions to recover the balances of ground-rent without delay, and to strike off those which are irrecoverable. Of the house-tax outstanding balance Re, 51-12-0 are due on the contraction.	a nouse which was under ar- tachment of the Civil Court. In course of recovery, mea- sures are being taken for	speedy recovery.  The tax-payers being absent C these amounts remained in. C.		Јапоск,		The balance remained uncollected owng to the poverty of	rears for the last year, Rs. 151, may be recovered in time.  Of this Rs. 150-8-0 will have to be remitted on account of persons who have absconded, died or have been wined by	the famine. The remaining balance is being collected,
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Statement of Outstandings due in the several Municipalities in the Southern Division at the close of 1879-80-continued.

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District,	No.	Name of Muni- cipal Town.	House Tax,	Wheel Tax.	Halálkhor Cess.	Rent for Market.	Ground Rent, &c.	Interest levied on Earth and Stone Farms.	Cattle Tax, &c.	Cattle Tax, Miscellancous.	Total,	Reasons assigned by the Commissioners.
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The total outstandings amount to Rs. 22,828-9-11 or 8 per cent. of the gross annual income, a proportion which is excessive. I see no reason why the outstandings of Municipal taxation should be more than nominal, for octroi is paid down in cash, and the direct taxes are very light and mostly leviable from house-owners.

15. The following Municipalities have been very lax in this matter, viz., Dhárwár, Chiplún, Ratnágiri, Vengurla and Navalgund, and the greatest offender is Dhárwár, where I must condemn the Commissioners as having been very remiss in collecting their revenues. A great check on this supineness as well as on irregularity in accounts, will be found in the general adoption of a rule, that at each meeting of the Commissioners, for whatever purpose, special or ordinary, the first business of the day shall be that the clerk or secretary shall place the accounts of receipt and expenditure written up to date before the meeting, with a memorandum of outstandings. No other business to be commenced until the same have been inspected and the fact entered on the proceedings.

#### Real property of the Municipalities.

16. I have prepared a schedule of the real property possessed by each Municipality, which I do not append as I have found many errors in it, which will require time to trace.

I doubt if sufficient attention has as yet been paid in the larger towns either to the development of Municipal income from this source or to the acquisition of small plots of land capable of improvement and of realizing a fair income in the future.

The schedule of real property will require much scrutiny, but should be most scrupulously prepared once for all at the outset and as carefully written up from year to year.

#### Cash Balances.

17. The balances on hand on the 31st March 1880 are exhibited in the following table:—

Dis- trict.	Num- ber.	Names of Municipalities.	Balance on hand on 31st March 1880.	Dis- trict,	Nam- ber.	Names of Municipalities.	Ealance on hand on 31st March 1880.
Ratnagiri.	1 2 3 4	Vengurla Rájápur Ratnágiri Chiplún	Rs. a, p.  2,638 9 2 1,390 3 1 158 4 9 1,721 5 7  5,908 6 7	Kaládgi.	20 21 22 23	Bágalkot Kaládgi Bijápur Ilkal	Rs. a. p. 2,218 15 7 1,131 4 11 790 9 11 6,874 2 0
Dhárwár,	5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13	Dhárwár	3,011 13 2 4,478 5 5 1,140 4 0 5,279 11 10 1,233 0 11 2,900 0 6 14 0 2 2,435 12 7 1,027 14 11 21,520 15 6	Belgaum.	24 25 26 27 28	Belgaum Yamkanmardi Saundatti Gokik	13,960 12 10 \$\blue{144}\$ 15 2 13,023 12 10 254 3 8 2,736 7 0
Kanara.	14 15 16 17 18 19	Kárwár	1,829 12 5 2,540 6 3 4,296 13 9 2,410 10 5 1,871 12 11	Ä (	29 30	Yallama (Temporary) Athni Total	6,826 14 7 2,350 10 1
· *Contraction contracts		Total	13,777 9 6			GRAND TOTAL	91,519 12 2

The famine works appear to have absorbed the cash balances of the Municipalities, which is no matter for regret, as no Municipality in the mofussil can as yet have so far supplied its Municipal needs as to be justified in keeping a heavy cash balance.

Government will observe that the actual cash balance is Rs. 91,519-12-2, by the more the figures given by the Presidents (para. 8), there should only be a large of Rs. 34.065-14-11. The discrepancy will be traced in the course of the season and is probably due to errors in the figures supplied by several Municipalities for the grees evenes and expenditure from the date of establishment.

#### Municipal Louns.

14. I show below full particulars of the Municipal loans. The security is we every ease the entire income of the Municipality:—

Statement of Louis our row d by Munic palities, Southern Division.

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In major loss, are gradually friches tayour with un-country investors, and a new year in that a circ population is seen much good may be done by a contion of large sentiary and vatin-supply works, which are otherwise time ally impossible.

#### Roads a 1 Lighter a.

1). 1. pp are from the following return that the thirty Municipalities comer 173 mile of roads besides lanes, which they should keep in repair and which should also be lighted in some way. As a matter of fact, however, there are only 725 lamps or 4 lamps per mile. It is only of late years and with the introduction of cheip kerosine-oil and kerosine-lamps that Municipalities have taker screenly to street lighting. I earnestly hope that the Government of Inda Petroleum Bill will not operate so as to enhance the cost of kerosine-oil and discourage Municipal Committees in the extension of street lighting:—

Distri t	Nume of Vir	истр <b>d То</b> w	n	Length of Roads in Miles	Number of Lamps.	Number of Lamps per Milc	Remarks.
Ratnágiii.	Vengurla Rájápur		•	5½ miles	60 40	10 9 26 66	Besides lanes of which length is not known.
Rat	Ratnágiri Chiplún	***	•••	$\frac{5}{7\frac{1}{2}}$ miles cart road .	25 19	5. 2.5	

District.	Name of Munic	ıpal Town.	Length of Roads in Miles.	Number of Lamps.	Number of Lumps per Mile.	Revarks.
Dhárwár.	Dhárwár Hubli Gadag-Betgeri Navalgund Nárgund Byádgi	•••	28 do 8 to 9 do	82 100 40 1 	5· 36 5· •25 	No roads have yet been con- structed. No
	Hángal Ránebennur Háveri		Nearly 5½ miles	 6 	1· 	Ditto.  No roads have been constructed. No lights
Kánara.	Kárwár Kumta Gokarn Sirsı Halıyál		4 61 2½ 9	40 50  25	10° 8°  2°8 	No street lamps No lights main tained by the Municipality.
Kaládgu	Bálgalkot Kaládgi Bijápur Ilkal		1]	35 23 10 25	7·78 4·18 1·33 5·56	
	Belgaum		A little more than 11 miles.	75	6.82	Besides 8 lampat tell stations 2 in Dispensity and 2 in the Municipal Office.
Belgaum.	Yamkanmardi Nipáni .		1; miles A little more than 4; miles of made road.	10 22	6 67 1·9	
I	Saundatti Gokák Yellama	••• ••	1; miles Nearly 3 miles 5 miles	3 4 	17 133 	Temporary It nicipality. No lights
	Athm .		9 miles	 30	3 33	
		Total	1733	725	4·1	

Public Latrines.—Disposal of Night-soil and I own Refuse.

Public latrines exist only in the 5 Municipalities marginally noted out of 20.

Number of Name of Blocks of Municipality. Latrines. Dhárnár 20500 Hubli Kárwár Belgaum Gokák

30 towns, and the proportion of seats to population even there is 380 persons to each seat. In all other towns there are either pit-privies or the people resort to the fields and environs of the town. There is no Municipal matter which requires more serious and persistent consideration than the disposal of the night-soil of our populous towns, and I hope next year to be able to report something like a systematic attempt to deal with the subject.

In the towns of Ratnágiri and Belgaum only has the Bombay Halálkhor

Dhárwár, Hubli, Gadag-Betgeri, Navalgund, Byádgi, Ránebennur, Kaládgi, Ilkal, Belgaum, Saundatti, Atlini. Cess system of 1866, which has done such wonders, been introduced, and only in the towns noted in the margin is night-soil or town refuse either sold or utilized. Until a few years ago, a prejudice existed among the agriculturists to use these valuable products

on their fields—now competition is keen among them, and I cannot doubt that it will be the same elsewhere if Municipal Committees will act earnestly and set an example to the people by renting lands and thereon applying the manure.

## Water-supply.

Vengurla, Rájápur, Ratnágiri, Chiplún, Dhárwár and Nipáni.

21. Only in six towns out of thirty has any attempt been made to supply good water.

Ratnágiri is raising a loan to pay for its water-works, originally constructed from Local Funds.

Rájápur and Vengurla have supplied themselves mainly from subscriptions by the townspeople; Chiplún has also constructed head-works. Dhárwár has a reservoir which should fill up this monsoon and the distribution works will be undertaken next season. It has taken the whole season to obtain the surveys for the improvement or extension of the existing Nipáni works, but I trust something may actually be done next year.

- 22. The Belgaum scheme, it was hoped, would have been ready this year, but the Irrigational Department have only prepared a preliminary report, which shows that the scheme is far too costly for the Municipality to undertake. Whether it will or will not be worth the while of Government to execute it as an Irrigational work, levying water-rates from the town and supplying the Cantonment, as in Poona, is a question which I am now discussing with the Superintending Engineer for Irrigation.
- 23. I trust that the Hubli Municipality will take steps this year to increase its supply. In nearly all other towns the water-supply is unsatisfactory and could be improved at a comparatively small cost.

## Scavenging.

- 24. There are apparently only 424 scavengers to 173 miles of roads exclusive of paths and lanes—an absurdly inadequate number. I fear that even these few men are not entirely employed in town cleansing, but are frequently used for road repairs and other miscellaneous work. The fact is that the actual cleansing of a populous town each day of the dirt accumulated in the preceding 21 hours is a work requiring both system and experience, while it is the very first and most important Municipal duty. Too often, however, the Inspector or other officer (who should hold the same position and perform the same duties as the Assistant Health Officer, Ward Inspector or Sub-Inspector in Bombay) is a person whose very caste precludes his personally performing the work of supervision as it ought to be done. In the smaller towns, too, the Commissioners do not attach due importance to daily scavenging, and the result is that a few main streets only are swept and the refuse perhaps thrown into the back gullies, while more money than can be afforded is wasted on works of show.
- 25. Every Municipality ought to be able to afford Rs. 20 per mensem for a Sanitary Inspector, who should, if possible, be obtained from the Sub-Inspectors or other men trained in the Health Departments of the cities of Bombay or Poona, or the Inspector might be sent to Bombay or Poona to be trained. Much money now wasted will thus be saved and the actual sanitation of each town will then be systematically performed. I have myself tried the plans with success in several Konkan Municipalities.

## Connection of the Sanitary Department with the Municipalities.

26. In Government Resolution No. 2617 of 23rd August 1876, an admirable scheme was laid down by which Municipalities would have the benefit of the advice of the Sanitary Commissioner or his Deputies on every important sanitary question, but the famine threw every thing out of gear, and I noticed during my

tour that not only had the Resolution itself become almost a dead letter, but that there was not that constant and cordial interchange of communication that should exist between the Deputy Sanitary Commissioners and the District Officers. In the few instances of a Deputy Sanitary Commissioner visiting a town (only 3 Municipal towns out of thirty were so visited last year) he was not always accompanied by the Municipal Commissioners, and his report when received by the District Officers, Presidents or Vice-Presidents was too often pigeon-holed, while it never reached the Commissioner's office at all.

I therefore issued the following circular to the Presidents of Municipalities:—

- "Whenever the Deputy Sanitary Commissioner of your Division inspects any Municipal town in your District, the Assistant Collector in charge of the táluka should endeavour to be present and to accompany him on his tour. The fullest information should also be given to the Deputy Sanitary Commissioner on every matter concerned with the sanitation of the town.
- "2. Whenever the Deputy Sanitary Commissioner may make any report or communication or memorandum on the subject of the sanitation of any Municipality a copy should, as soon as possible, be forwarded to the Commissioner, S. D., with such observations and explanations as may seem called for.
- "3. All such reports or communications received during the current fair season from the Deputy Sanitary Commissioner should be now forwarded."

This was followed by a second Circular No.  $\frac{P}{771}$  of 22nd June:—

"Referring to this office Circular No. Policy of 17th ultimo, the undersigned, at the special request of the Sanitary Commissioner, draws special attention to para. 10 of Government Resolution No. 2617 of 23rd August 1876.

"The whole Resolution seems hitherto, because of the disturbing influence of the famine or for other reasons, to have become a dead letter; but the undersigned trusts that all officers concerned will now proceed literally to enforce the orders of Government."

I hope that good results may follow during the next season.

## Dispensaries and Vaccination.

27. The following towns only have supplied themselves with dispensaries:—

Belgaum.	Saundatti.	Haveri.	Ilkal.
Athni.	Hubli.	Bágalkot.	Kumta.
Gokák.	Gadag-Betgeri.	Bijápur.	Sirsi.
CORRE.	Gadag-Deigeri.	Dijapur.	Halivál.

In the following towns steps are being taken to have dispensaries established:—

Rájápur. | Chiplún. | Navalgund.

The following towns contributed specially towards vaccination the sums shown opposite their names:—

						Rs.
Dhárwár	,	•••	***			196
Hubli	•••	•••			•••	246
Gadag-Betge	ri		•••	***	***	252
Bágalkot		•••	***	•••	,	108
Belgaum		•••	• • •	***	•••	238
Athni		•••		***		180

As both these subjects are annually separately dealt with by Government I need not go into details.

#### Municipal Prosecutions.

28. The following table shows that in all the thirty towns there were only 352 Municipal prosecutions in the past year. These figures show, as plainly as can be shown, that there is not much heart or energy in enforcing Municipal laws and that sanitation must be imperfect:—

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#### Birth and Death Registration.

- 29. In all the Municipalities this is now performed by the Municipal establishments. In some few cases, notably in the Kánara Municipalities, there appears an approach to accuracy, and the number of births registered nearly comes up to the deaths. In many other Municipalities the disparity is marked, and very much closer attention must be paid to this matter. Until the registration in cities and towns is perfected, it is hopeless to look for accuracy in outlying villages. Municipal Committees should set an example in this matter, and if need be should employ special agency.
- 30. The following are the figures for the past year which show 6,801 deaths and 4,581 births, the total death-rate being 20 per mille and the birth-rate being only 14 per mille, or only 67 per cent. of the deaths:—

Statement showing the figures for Birth and Deuth Registration in each Municipal Town in the Southern Division during the year 1879-80.

District	<b>,</b>	Num- ber.	Names of	Municipa	lities.		Births.	Deaths.	Remarks.
Ratnágiri	{	1 2 3 4	Vengurla Rájápur Ratnágiri Chiplún	1 2 2 2 4 2 5 6 6 5 6 6	***		61 65  33	116 208  113	Not given,
					Total		159	437	
Dhárw <b>ár</b>		5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13	Dharwar Hubli Gadag-Betge Navalgund Nargund Byádgi Hángal Ránc bennur Haveri	ri	•••		252 666 217 250 21 57 171 94	632 778 326 207  43 50 76 40	Not given.
					Total	•••	1,731	2,152	
T'nare		14 15 16 17 18 19	Kárwár Kumta Gokarn Sirsi Haliyál Ulvi (Tompo	  rary)	•••		246 257 94 80 238	218 277 98 195 300	Temporary,
					Total		915	1,088	
Kaládgi	{	20 21 22 23	Bágalkot Kaládgi Bijápur Ilkal	***	•••	•••	283 25 119 	355 193 458	Not given.
					Total	•••	427	1,006	
3elgaum		24 25 26 27 28 29 30	Bolgaum Yamkanmard Nipáni Saundatti Gokák Yallama (Ten Athni	***	····	***	546 49 221 104 122 	895 83 378 177 283	Temp orary
					Total		1,352	2,118	
				GRAND	TOTAL	•••	4,584	6,801	

## Municipal Accounts.

- 31. The information for Statement No. III. has been furnished by the Municipalities in an uniform manner in Bengal maunds, seers and tolas. It must, however, be remarked that Municipal Commissioners have no means of weighing or valuing the goods imported into Municipal towns. The figures for imports, therefore, are based on the mere guesses of low-paid and comparatively ignorant octroi collecting kárkúns, and are consequently of little value.
- 32. In the Hubli and Gadag-Betgeri reports the estimated future income after a strict application of the Government of India's Town Duties Bill has not been stated, as it should have been under Head XIV. Mr. Muir, however, separately reports that the Hubli income will probably fall from Rs. 12,453-12-11 to some Rs. 8,500, and the Gadag-Betgeri realizations from Rs. 5,873-2-0 to Rs. 4,350.
- 33. Jexamined the Municipal accounts of Dhárwár, Belgaum, Vengurla, Ratnágiri, and Nipáni. Errors, inaccuracies and irregularities discovered have been communicated to the several Collectors and Presidents of Municipalities concerned. Their explanations on certain points, which need not be detailed here, have been called for as usual. I may mention here that among other things it was noted in the accounts of the Belgaum Municipality for the last year that Rs. 127-7-0½ were debited as paid for discount on copper coin sold by the Municipality in exchange for silver coins. This was a clear loss to the Municipality. The discount paid varied from two to two pies and a half per rupee. The practice has been stopped, and silver coin is now obtained in exchange for copper coin from the Government Treasury under Section 5 of the Civil Account Code.
- 34. The accounts of all the Municipalities have been duly examined, and audited by auditors appointed for the purpose, but no serious irregularities or mistakes were found. I have directed that in future a statement showing the outstandings due to each Municipality shall accompany the annual reports.

#### Concluding Remarks.

- 35. The reports by the Vice-Presidents of the Municipalities are themselves sufficiently full. They are also in most cases criticized, commented upon or explained by the Presidents. Very little further remark is therefore necessary at present from me. After another season when I shall have visited most of the towns and carried out some of the reforms sketched in this paper, I propose to deal with each Municipality in detail.
- 36. On the whole it may be affirmed that much good has been effected by Municipal institutions, but it must be conceded that they require very close supervision, and above all *direction*, in all matters relating to taxation and sanitation.
- 37. We must all hope that, for years to come, the disturbing influences of famine and pestilence may be absent, and that the development of what promises to be a very powerful agency in the advancement and civilization of the country may not be retarded. I submit with deference that it would, in no small degree, stimulate private individuals to exert themselves in the improvement of their native towns were Government occasionally to confer titles of distinction (such as Ráo Bahádur and Ráo Sáheb) on gentlemen on the Municipal Committees who have distinguished themselves conspicuously by their zeal and devotion to Municipal matters.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant,
ARTHUR CRAWFORD,
Commissioner, S.D.

#### No. 1778 of 1880.

GENERAL DEPARTMENT.

FROM

H. N. B. ERSKINE, Esq.,

Commissioner in Sind;

To

HIS EXCELLENCY THE RIGHT HON'BLE SIR JAMES FERGUSSON,

BART., K.C.M.G. AND C.I.E.,

Governor and President in Council, Bombay.

Commissioner's Office, Karáchi, 8th December 1880.

RIGHT HONOURABLE SIR,

I have the honour to submit reports on the administration of the several municipalities in Sind and reviews by the Collectors and Presidents, in accordance with the instructions contained in Government Resolution No. 1790, dated the 26th June 1880, together with Statistical Statements I, II, and III compiled in this office for the whole province, and to make the following observations.

- 2. The number of municipalities in operation has continued the same as in Number of Municipalities.

  last year, viz., 39, of which 4 are classed as city and 35 as town municipalities. They were all reconstituted Municipal Districts under Bombay Act VI. of 1872 in March 1879, so that the present report exhibits the results of the first complete year in which the new law has been in operation.
- 3. The municipalities are distributed amongst the several districts as follows:—

					City.	Town,
Karáchi			• 9 9	• • •	1	9
Hyderabad	***	•••	•••	,	1	13
Thar and Pa	írkar	••	•••	•••	•••	3
Shik irpur	• •	• •	•••	***	2	9
Frontier		•••	•••	•••	•••	1

In the Karáchi and Hyderabad Districts the city municipalities are those of Karáchi and Hyderabad respectively, and in the Shikárpur District, those of Shikárpur and Sukkur.

The total number of Municipal Commissioners is 622, of which 171 are ev-officio and 451 are nominated. Distinguished as Constitution "officials" and "non-officials," the number is 198 and 424 respectively; while of the whole number, 82 are Europeans and 840 Natives. Compared with last year there is an increase of 18 in the total number of Commissioners, and a decrease of 12 in the European Commissioners. The decrease is mainly due to absence on leave or on special duty of European officers whose places as Deputy Collectors and Presidents of the several municipalities have been filled by Native Officers. The number of ex-officio Commissioners remains It appears that in the Hyderabad District the attendance has not been regular, and the provisions of the law regarding the holding of meetings have been overlooked. The fact has, however, attracted the attention of the Collector and President, and I hope that he will be able to ensure greater regularity in future. In para. 7 of his review, the Collector of Karáchi shows a number of Commissioners as "elected." The fact, however, is that no system of election exists such as is contemplated by Section 7, clause 2 of the Bombay Municipal Act. Shortly after the Act was introduced in Sind, the Collector of Karáchi addressed my predecessor on the subject of the issue of rules for election, but he was informed that for the present the appointments should continue to be made by the Commissioner, but that the Collector in making his selection was at

liberty to consult heads of communities. It is the members who are appointed by this process of selection that are now said by him to be elected. This error of classification has, however, been corrected in Statement I., appended, where the whole number of non-official Municipal Commissioners in the Karáchi Municipality as elsewhere has been entered under their proper head as "Nominated."

- No actual change has taken place in the boundaries of any municipality, but those of the city of Hyderabad formed the subject Boundaries. of correspondence, and an extension was determined which was carried into effect after the expiration of the year. In 1878 the Collector of Hyderabad pointed out that a large grain depôt had been formed on the left bank of the Fuleli, and that many small shops had been established just outside municipal limits, where large purchases were made for local consumption in the city. The residents were in the habit of buying small quantities which could not be detected upon importation into the city and so escaped octroi duty. Consequently in the interests of the revenue a change of boundary was very desirable, and the extension was finally notified on 21st May 1880. This adds from the year 1880-81 to the municipal limits an area of 2,169 acres, of which 1,655-10 are assessed to the Government revenue, 460 consist of waste land, and the remaining 53-30 are comprised in village sites. The number of villages thus brought under the municipal administration of the city of Hyderabad is 18, with a population of 1,070 persons. It has been impressed on the municipality that the extension confers on them no right to lands within the tract of the country newly added except to such extent as may hereafter be specially conceded to them by Government.
- The only changes deserving of notice under this head are, that a clause which had been omitted previously has been added to the Schedules of all Town Municipalities in the Taxes and Imposts. Shikarpur District securing exemption from octroi of all goods belonging to Government; that in some of the municipalities of the same district, cotton, wool and raw silk, which contrary to the orders of the Government of India were taxed, have been removed from the lists of taxable articles, and that the Sukkur, Shikarpur and Garhi Yasin Municipalities have been induced to fix duty on cloth and metals ad valorem instead of by weight. The Rohri Municipality has also proposed an ad valorem rate on cloth, but the townspeople have protested against it as being considerably in excess of what is now levied by weight, and the subject is under reference to the Collector. An error unfortunately crept in the Schedule of Taxation of the Jacobabad Municipality, which led it to charge 5 per cent. ad valorem on silk and woollen goods. This was discovered while the returns received for this report were being scrutinized in this office, and has been put a stop to, the duty pending revision of the schedule now under consideration having been reduced to Rs. 1-8-0, which is the authorized There was also another unauthorized levy made by the Jacobabad Municipality in the exaction of an annual fee of Rs. 10 from every broker settling bargains of animals, which likewise attracted notice lately and has been stopped.
- 7. The gross municipal income of the province amounts to Rs. 8,18,959-5-10 as compared with Rs. 7,71,276-1-2 last year. There is a net decrease of Rs. 89,012-2-4 in miscellaneous revenue, and a net increase in revenue from taxation of Rs. 1,36,695-7-0. The chief causes of decrease under the former head are that last year a loan instalment of Rs. 50,000 was credited to miscellaneous receipts by the Hyderabad Municipality, and that in most of the municipalities, as explained in the Administration Reports of the several districts, there has been a considerable falling off in the amount of fines from cattle-pounds. The increase in revenue from taxation, which is chiefly on account of octroi duties, is ascribed partly to briskness of trade in connection with the Afghán expedition, and partly to the fact that, in consequence of the extended period of two years within which refunds are now admissible, goods which were before stored outside the municipal limits are now brought into the town. The latter item of increase is, however, merely nominal, as the amount of refunds will be proportionately greater.
- 8. Regarding the question of refunds it appears that in compiling the statistical returns a uniform system has not been observed by all municipalities.

Some have shown the full revenue collected under octroi, merely debiting the amount of refunds under miscellaneous expenditure; whilst others have shown only net octroi revenue. For present purposes the latter course would appear to be the correct one, as otherwise, the figures which are supposed to show the incidence of taxation will create a wrong impression. In the reports for the Shikarpur and Garhi Yasin Municipalities at any rate the former course has been followed; while in the Karachi and most other reports the latter and more correct system has been adopted, but there are some which leave it uncertain how the figures are to be interpreted.

9. Of the total income mentioned above Rs. 6,73,150-3-11 have been derived from taxation alone:—

					$\mathbf{R}\mathbf{s}$ .	a.	p.
1.	Octroi	•••	•••	***	5,98,669	2	4
2.	House-tax	•••	•••		45,506		6
3.	Special fees for li	censes	, Section XXII	. of			
	the Municipal A				57	8	0
4.	Wheel-tax		•••		23,604	2	6
5.	Tax on animals	•••	•••	***	228	6	9
6.	Tolls and ferries	•••	•••		212	8	0
7.	Halálkhor cess	•••	•••	•••	3,811	3	1
			$\mathbf{Total}$	l…Rs.	6,72,089	0	2

The remainder, Rs. 1,45,809-1-11, is due to minor heads of receipts, such as rents, fines, miscellaneous and grants-in-aid from Provincial and Local Funds.

- 10. Turning to Statement I., it will be seen that octroi is the main source of revenue for all municipalities in Sind. House-tax is collected in four towns, of which three are in the Karáchi District and one (Sukkur) in the Shikárpur District.
- 11. Wheel-tax is levied in every municipality in the Shikarpur District, in the city municipality of Karachi, and in town municipality. In the last mentioned municipality, however, the revenue derived from this source produces the insignificant sum of Rs. 22. In the Hyderabad District no wheel-tax is levied, and the amount shown in column 11 is derived from public conveyances licensed under Bombay Act VI. of 1863 (Public Conveyance Act).
- 12. The tax on animals levied in two of the three municipalities in the Thar and Párkar District is an annual charge on milch cows and buffaloes kept inside municipal limits, large numbers being kept for purposes of trade.
- 13. A halálkhor cess has been imposed in Sehwan and Bubak in the Karáchi District; in Garhi Yásin, Kambar, and Rohri in the Shikárpur District; and in Jacobabad in the Upper Sind Frontier District. Steps have been taken to introduce a similar cess in the Hyderabad Municipality, where at present there is no direct taxation of any kind.
- 14. House-tax for the town of Sukkur was sanctioned in 1878, but this is the first year in which it has been levied. The tax is assessed at 2 per cent. on the nominal rental of all houses except those which are estimated to yield less than Rs. 3 per mensem. The total number of houses assessed to the tax was 4,311, the total yield being Rs. 4,383-10-0. When any question as to the rental arises, it is decided by a Sub-Committee. The tax is one which is probably more unpopular than any other, but, if carefully regulated under the personal supervision of the Collector and President, I hope that the present dissatisfaction may gradually be overcome, and that the example of Sukkur may be followed in other municipalities in Sind; so that in course of time many items may disappear from the octroi schedules which produce a revenue very small in comparison with the trouble and cost of collection. The only other municipalities in which house-tax is at present levied are those of Karáchi, Kotri, and Keti.

The incidence of all taxation per head of population for the province is Rs. 2-6-2, and that of the whole municipal income Incidence of taxation.

Rs. 2-14-6. The corresponding figures for 1878-79 were Rs. 1-14-1 and Rs. 2-11-4. Some portion of the increase observable is due to an alteration made in the figures of population. In 1878-79 the population given for the Shikarpur and Rohri Municipalities was arrived at by making an increment to the census figures at the rate of 1 per cent. per annum.

Note.-For the different ratio of increased incidence under the two classes of revenue, see para. 7 above.

This being contrary to the orders of Government the actual figures of 1872 have now been adopted. Still, as explained in paragraph 7 above, there has been a general increase of revenue, and when this is the case, and the figures for population remain stationary, the nominal incidence of taxation must inevitably show an increase also. Taking the different municipalities severally, the incidence of taxation remains a severally. palities severally, the incidence of taxation ranges from annas 4 and pies 9 to Rs. 6-9-4, and that of the income from all sources together from annas 5 and pies 11 to Rs. 9-4-7. The highest rate of incidence is still shown in the city municipalities of Karáchi and Sukkur, with reference to which I would beg the attention of Government to the remarks contained in para. 11 of my last year's report. Until the new census supplies us with more veritable statistics any explanation must be more or less conjectural, but every endeavour has been made during the year to insist upon the Refund Rules being carefully and liberally worked, and to eliminate all items from the Octri Schedules which were inconsistent with the principles so frequently enunciated by Government.

- The expenditure in the year amounts to Rs. 6,72,762-11-5, and in comparison with that of the previous year, which was Expenditure. Rs. 6,69,766-6-5, shows an increase of Rs. 2,996-5-0. The principal heads of expenditure are detailed below.
- 17. The cost of office and collection establishments amounts to Rs. 55,383-8-5 and Rs. 49,421-11-8, against Rs. 53,541-2-10 and Establishment and collec-Rs. 46,482-4-9 respectively in the previous year, the tion charges. result being an increase of Rs. 1,842-5-7 in the office and Rs. 29,396-0-11 in the collection establishment. The chief portion of this increase is to be found in the city municipalities of Karáchi and Hyderabad, where the combined expenditure under both heads has been Rs. 39,292-11-8 and Rs. 11,256-3-3, while in 1878-79 the cost was Rs. 35,016-8-6 and Rs. 9,884-9-5. The difference is due mainly to revision of establishments with a view to secure more effective agoncy for the audit of accounts and the supervision of collections and refunds, and to the periodical increment to salaries The percentage which the total cost of establishment in each under the rules. district bears to the municipal income from all sources is as follows:—

		City. Town	١.
		Rs. a p. Rs. a.	p.
Karáchi	•••	12 12 4 11 8	9
Hyderabad	•••	10 3 10 1 <b>3</b> 8	11
Shikárpur	•••	14 8 8 12 2	10
Thar and Parkar	***		5
Frontier, Upper S	sind	16 1	0

From the above it will appear that in city municipalities Shikarpur gives the highest percentage and Hyderabad the lowest, the figures being Rs. 14-8-8 and Rs. 10-13-10 respectively. Among the town municipalities the lowest percentage is that in the Thar and Parkar District, amounting to Rs. 7-1-5, and the highest that in Upper Sind Frontier, being Rs. 16-1-0. This, however, is less by Rs. 3 than it was last year.

Police charges borne by the several municipalities amounted this year to Rs. 77,926-12-3. Last year the cost was Rs. 92,843-11-10. The decrease is attributable to the introduction of the new Municipal Act (Bombay VI. of 1873), which limited the liability of each municipality to a sum not exceeding half the actual charges on account of Police employed within the municipal limits: whereas the previous practice had been for many of the municipalities to defray the entire cost of the Police employed within their limits. The introduction of the new Act necessitated a redistribution of the District Police and a reduction of the force paid for exclusively by the municipalities. The result is a very considerable reduction in the municipal expenditure under this head, which, however, has only partially taken effect in the accounts under review, as the re-adjustment was not carried out until the year was far advanced, and in some instances not until after the close of the year.

- 19. The aggregate expenditure under this head amounts to Rs. 95,617-5-3 Conservancy and cleaning. against Rs. 84,310-1-2, showing an increase of Rs. 11,307-4-1. The increase has been incurred in introducing improvements in the conservancy system to which, as I had occasion to observe on tour, too little attention has hitherto been paid. Want of proper supervision, defective arrangements for ensuring the regular muster of scavengers and a most uneconomical disposal of town refuse, seemed to me to be the points on which improvement was most to be desired.
- 20. The expenditure under this head shows a decrease of Rs. 15,810-10-10,

  Lighting. The bulk of the decrease occurs in the Karáchi District where the last year's expenditure was abnormally large on account of a large purchase of kerosine oil, of which a considerable quantity is still in stock for consumption in this and the following year.
- 21. The total expenditure on roads during the year amounted to Rs. 43,658-7, and, compared with Rs. 58,114-2-0 in 1878-79, shows a decrease of Rs. 14,455-10-11. The outlay on this account by the city municipality of Karáchi alone has fallen off by Rs. 15,635-3-9. The city municipality of Hyderabad also has receded from Rs. 5,897-5-4 to Rs. 446-9-6 only. The decrease is specially observable in the large towns of Karáchi and Hyderabad, where the municipalities have had heavy demands on their funds in connection with the new water-works. In Sukkur there was little difference in this respect between this and the former year, whilst in Shikárpur the expenditure was considerably greater, as the municipality undertook the pavement of the main bázár and the branch roads leading therefrom at a cost of Rs. 15,659. In the smaller municipal towns which I have visited the roads have been, generally speaking, in fair order.
- 22. Under this column the small sum of Rs. 2,808-8-5 alone is shown, and this expenditure was chiefly incurred in the Shikár-pur District; but it is evident that the figures given do not correctly represent the outlay, and that through some misunderstanding, expenditure which should properly have appeared under this head has been entered in other columns. Thus the Secretary to the Karáchi Municipality in para. 4 of his report alludes to a sum of Rs. 8,797, which has been expended in that town on the completion of a system of drainage in the sadar bázár.
- Rs. 11,658-0-11 in the former year, showing an increase of Rs. 27,028-14-0. The greater portion of this increase is on account of the construction of a tank at the fort at Hyderabad in connection with the water-works to form a reservoir for the supply of the town. The water-works for the city and camp of Karáchi opened by His Excellency the Governor on the 28th February 1880, are now in progress; the total amount for which the work has been let on contract is Rs. 6,15,507—an expense which the municipality is able to meet without any extraneous aid, the balance to its credit at the close of 1879-80 being Rs. 6,27,333-4-8. The work is expected to be completed within two years and a half from the date of its commencement.
- 24. The distinction between the two heads marginally noted has not been accurately observed, and as has already been pointed out, the cost of drainage improvements in Karáchi has been shown under "Other Public Works" instead of in its own proper column. The most important buildings erected during the year have been—
  - (1.) A bonded warehouse at Karáchi completed at a cost of Rs. 11,654,
  - (2.) A Municipal Office, Public Library, and Beef Market at Sukkur, aggregate cost Rs. 15,659-6-0.

Mention may also be made of improvements effected in the main bázár at Kambar (cost Rs. 2,232) and of the construction of a new vaccine station at Karáchi (Rs. 751).

- 25. The charges on account of dispensary and vaccination establishments sanitary and Charitable Establishments.

  Charitable Establishments.

  Charitable been said on the subject in the several reports. The increase (Rs. 2,135-7-0) may be accounted for in Karáchi alone, where the higher expenditure is due principally to measures taken on the outbreak of cholera and to the establishment necessary on the introduction of Bombay Act IV. of 1879, by which vaccination was rendered compulsory.
- 26. There has been a decrease of Rs. 5,259-1-7 in the municipal expenditure on account of education, the cost incurred in 1878-79 and 1879-80 having been respectively Rs. 39,223-4-8 and Rs. 33,964-3-1. It is so far satisfactory to note that no part of this decrease is attributable to a smaller contribution on account of the teaching staff, though greater assistance may well be looked for in this respect. The difference is due to fewer school buildings having been erected in the course of the year. The only school-houses built wholly or in part out of municipal funds were:—

27. The year closed with a credit balance of Rs. 9,52,313-2-6 as compared with the opening balance of Rs. 8,05,119-7-7. This further accumulation of capital was principally occasioned by the fact that the Karáchi Municipality husbanded its resources to meet the heavy outlay on account of the new water-works which have been since commenced.

General Remarks

28. In the course of my annual tour I had the opportunity of visiting the following municipalities:—

Karáchi District.

Dádú, Kotri, Sehwan, Tatta, Keti.

Hyderabad District.

Hyderabad, Hála, and Matári.

Shikarpur District.

Shikarpur, Sukkur, Rohri, Garhi Yasın, Larkhana, Kambar, and Mehar.

Upper Sind Frontier District.

Jacobabad.

Some of the results of my observations have been embodied in the foregoing remarks, and I should gain no useful object if I were to prolong this report by entering at length into details. I may, however, mention that it appeared to me that far too little is at present done to induce non-official members to take an intelligent interest in municipal administration; too much is left to the Mukhtyárkars, and the Deputy Collectors do not themselves exercise that personal supervision which I should wish to see; there is much room for improvement in the system of octroi collections (though the subject is a difficult one, in Sind especially). I noticed great want of regularity in the holding of meetings and in the system of auditing accounts. Municipal Commissioners had not been apprised of their duties in connection with dispensaries, and the provisions of the Municipal Act had not been carefully studied. Thus I found in some instances that current business was managed nominally by a Managing Committee though no such body was recognized by the rules; and though this irregularity was pointed out to the Deputy Collector of the Sehwan Division, I see from the municipal reports for that Division now submitted by me that the same misconception continued to exist.

- 29. There has been great want of uniformity, and I regret to say great and needless delay in preparing the statistical returns of the several municipalities. Each Collector and President has adopted a system of his own in reviewing the reports of the various municipalities in his charge, and none of the returns have been subjected to that careful scrutiny which is necessary to make them of any real use. Were it not that Government has made an urgent call for the General Report, which is long overdue, I should, before submitting it, have made a further reference to the district officers in order that mistakes may be corrected and the instructions conveyed in Government Resolution No. 1790, dated 26th June 1880, accurately followed.
- 30. Whilst thus expressing my opinion I would beg that some indulgence may be granted in consideration of the additional work involved by Transport duties, and I hope that in the ensuing year there may be no cause for dissatisfaction in connection either with the manner in which municipal affairs are administered, or that in which they are reported on.

I have the honour to be, Right Honourable Sir, Your most obedient Servant,

> H. N. B. ERSKINE, Commissioner in Sind.

# STATEMENTS.

FORM No. I.

FORM
Statement showing the Income of the Municipalities in

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						Numb	ER OF	Мемве	rs of C	OMMIT	ree.			
	Serial			Population	a.	ъ.	c.	d.	е.	f.	g.	h.		
Name of District.	Number of Muni- cipality.	Name of Municipality.	Act under which constituted.	within Municipal limits.	Ex-officio.	Nominated.	Elected.	Total.	Officials.	Non-officials.	Europeaus.	Natives.		
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ſ	1	Ahmedabad City		116,873	10	22		32	11	21	6	26		
Ahmedabad {	2 3 4 5 6 7	Dholka Town Dhanduka do. Viramgám do. Parántij do. Modása do. Gogha do.	Do Do Do	9,519 19,661 8,341	4 4 4 4 4	12 12 11 9 12 12		16 16 15 13 16 16	4 4 4 4 8	12 12 11 9 12 8	2 2 2 2 2 2 3	14 14 13 11 14 13		
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	( 15	Broach City	Act VI. of 1873	36,932	8	16		24	8	16	5	19		
Broach	16	Ankleshvar Town	. Do	9,289	4	12		16	4	12	1	15		
	17	Jambusar do.	Do	14,924	4	8		12	5	7	2	10		
		Total		61,145	16	36	•••	52	17	35	8	44		
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	27 28 29 30	Bassein do Bandra do	Do. Do. Do. Do.	6,660 9,356 11,067 7,363	4	9 12 12 8		13 16 16 12		8 11 9 8	2 2 5 2	11 14 11 10		
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